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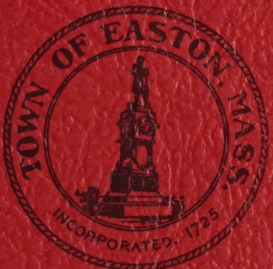
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TOWN OFFICERS, 1943

Moderator

JOSEPH W. LINEHAN

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

EDGAR W. BALDWIN
DENIS C. BROPHY
ALBERT E. WOOD

Assessors of Taxes

MARY E. WADE	Term expires 1944
JOSEPH W. LINEHAN	Term expires 1945
KENNETH C. HAYWARD	Term expires 1946

Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector

JOHN M. SMITH

Assistant Town Clerk

WINIFRED CUNNINGHAM

School Committee

ARTHUR F. ANDERSON	Term expires 1946
ALICE K. BRIGGS	Term expires 1944
HORACE H. MITCHELL	Term expires 1944
WILFRED P. KEITH	Deceased
EDGAR W. WATTS (appointed)	Term expires 1945
ROGER A. McNAMARA	Term expires 1945

Superintendent of Schools

GILBERT C. MANN

Board of Health

DAVID J. O'CONNELL	Term expires 1945
CORA M. HENNIGAR	Term expires 1946
ROBERT B. PORTER	Term expires 1944

Tree Warden

ROSCOE W. MELENDY

Superintendent of Moth Work

ROSCOE W. MELENDY

Registrars of Voters

SIGFRID V. LEDIN	Term expires 1946
LUTHER E. SWIFT	Term expires 1944
JOHN J. GALVIN	Term expires 1945

Chief of Fire Department

ARTHUR W. BAILEY

Forest Warden

ARTHUR W. BAILEY

Chief of Police

HERBERT S. BERGLUND

Constable

GEORGE A. PIERSON

Dog Officer

JOHN W. CHILLINGWORTH

Superintendent of Streets

CARL W. ERICKSON
FRANK E. WILBUR

Sealer of Weights and Measures

JOHN W. CHILLINGWORTH

Inspector of Animals

J. CLINTON GOWARD

Inspector of Slaughtering

GEORGE CARR
J. CLINTON GOWARD

Inspector of Milk

LEO J. FITZPATRICK

Town Accountant

STANLEY F. RICE

Town Attorney

RICHARD J. HATCHFIELD

Public Welfare and Old Age Assistance Bureau

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent

Finance Committee

- WALFRID J. G. BROMAN
- WILLIS G. BUCK
- JOSEPH CONNOLLY
- EDGAR W. CRAIG
- HARRIS A. DeWITT
- HERMAN HALVARSON
- E. CARLTON HAYWARD, Deceased
- JOHN B. HOWARD
- DANIEL L. KENT
- NEUBERT B. MORSE
- MARTIN E. REYNOLDS
- ROBERT G. WATT
- F. ELLIS WHITE, Resigned
- MYRON F. WILLIAMS
- CLARKE L. WILCOX

Report of the Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1943

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Easton in the County of Bristol, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium in said Easton on Monday, the first day of March, next, at 8:00 o'clock P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see of the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Town Accountant, Tree Warden and any committee of the Town and take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Welfare or the Board of Old Age Assistance to appoint one of their members to the position of investigator and to determine his compensation to be paid from grant of Federal Aid.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day and Armistice Day to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, George S. Shepard Post No. 7, American Legion, George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial Year beginning January 1, 1944, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use from surplus revenue to reduce the tax levy for the current year.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a two-way frequency modulation radio set for installation in the Police cruiser car, and raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 to defray the expense thereof.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 for the employment of a nurse or nurses to be employed by and to be under the direction of the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of rendering general nursing and bedside care to expectant mothers, new born children, and children of pre-school and school age, and hold such child health conferences as are deemed necessary, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from monies raised and appropirated for highway purposes, such sums as may be necessary for maintenance, improvement and construction of streets within the Town, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County for the purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Road Machinery Fund to which shall be credited all receipts received from the use or rental of road machinery, the proceeds to be appropriated as voted by the Town for road machinery purposes; or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, or authorize the Selectmen to allocate an amount from the appropriation for highways, to establish a Road Machinery Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery; or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for a fund to be known as the Emergency Defense Fund to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen for the purpose of defraying the cost and expenses which may be incurred in order to secure such equipment and facilities as may be deemed necessary to protect the interest of the Town because of the present National Emergency.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will authorize the board of Assessors to appoint one of it own members to the position of clerk to said board, and determine the compensation of the clerk as provided by Section 4a of Chapter 41 of the General Laws and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of four thousand eight hundred dollars ($4,800.00), the same to come from the sums realized from the sale of real estate, to be used to pay the balance of the purchase price remaining on the North Easton Village District fire station, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton, qualified to vote in elections residing in Precinct One, to meet at the Furnace Village School; those residing in Precinct Two, to meet at the Ames Memorial Hall; and those residing in Precinct Three, to meet at the South Easton School House, on Monday, the 8th day of March next at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes all on one ballot for two members of the Board of Assessors, one for a term of one year and one for a term of three years; and one member of the Board of Health for a term of three years and one member of the School Committee for a term of three years, Moderator, three Selectmen, three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Tree Warden, and a Finance Committee of fifteen, all for a term of one year. The Polls will be open at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each meeting house and post office in said Town, and one at the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting, and said Town Clerk is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Warden or Deputy Warden at the time and place of holding said meeting for the election of officers, and said Warden is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Town Clerk, together with his return of officers elected at the close of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 25th day of January in the year nineteen hundred and forty-three.

EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,
Selectmen of Easton.

Bristol, ss. Easton, Mass., February 19, 1943.

By virtue hereof, and as within directed, I have this day served the within warrant.

ARTHUR B. BRIGGS,
Constable of Easton.

A true copy of the warrant and return thereon.

Attest: JOHN M. SMITH, Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, March 1, 1943

The meeting was called to order at eight o'clock P. M., and the warrant read by the Moderator, Joseph W. Linehan.

Article 1. It was voted to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Town Accountant and Tree Warden.

Article 2. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $685.00 for Assessors' Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $4000.00 for the account of Aid to Dependent Children.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for the account of Aid to Dependent Children Administration.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the account of Care of Cemeteries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for the account of Dog Officer.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $325.00 for the account of Election Expense.

Voted to appropriate the sum of $3000.00 from the Overlay Reserve Account for the account of Emergency Reserve Fund.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $25.00 for the account of Finance Committee Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $8885.00 for the account of the Fire Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for the account of Forest Warden's Salary.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $3000.00 for the account of the Health Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for the account of Inspection of Animals.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $225.00 for the account of Interest on Notes.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for the account of Incidentals.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 for the account of Legal Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2500.00 for the account of the Moth Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $34,000.00 for the account of Old Age Assistance.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for the account of Old Age Assistance Administration.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $991.00 for the account of Pensions.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $8813.00 for the account of the Police Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $7500.00 for the account of Public Welfare.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,500.00 for the account of the Road Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $450.00 for the account of Registrars of Voters' Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $225.00 for the account of Registrars of Voters' Salaries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $875.00 for the account of Rent of Town Offices.

A motion was made to raise and appropriate the sum of $93,400.56 for the account of the School Department. An amendment was adopted, increasing the amount to $95,550.56, to provide for an increase of $100.00 in salaries of all teachers for the curent year. It was then voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $95,550.56 for the account of the School Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the account of Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for the account of Selectmen's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1000.00 for the account of Soldiers' Relief.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1400.00 for the account of Tax Collector's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $75.00 for the account of Town Accountant's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for the account of Town Accountant's Salary.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the account of Town Clerk's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $6865.00 for the account of Town Officers' Salaries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for the account of Town Physician.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $635.10 for the account of Town Reports.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1075.00 for the account of Town Treasurer's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2600.00 for the account of Tree Department.

Article 3. Voted that the Board of Public Welfare be authorized to appoint one of its members to the position of Investigator, and allow compensation of $200.00 from grant of federal aid.

Article 4. Voted that the sum of $375.00 be raised and appropriated for the account of Memorial Day and Armistice Day, to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, George S. Shepard Post No. 7, American Legion, and George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Article 5. Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time on and after January 1, 1944, in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1944, and to issue a note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 6. Voted that the Assessors of Taxes be authorized and are hereby instructed to utilize an amount not in excess of $15,000.00 of funds available in the town treasury, known as the excess and deficiency account, to reduce the tax levy for the current year, and the Assessors are further instructed to use such an amount as will be available immediately prior to the fixation of the tax rate, as shown by the Town Accountant's certificate and approved by the Director of the State Division of Accounts.

Article 7. Voted that the sum of $500.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase and install a two-way frequency modulation radio set in the Police cruiser car.

Article 8. Voted that the sum of $600.00 be raised and appropriated for the employment of a nurse or nurses for general nursing purposes, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Article 9. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from monies raised and appropriated for highway purposes such sums as may be necessary for maintenance of streets within the town, said money to be used in conjunction with any sums that may be allotted by the state or country for this purpose.

Article 10. Dismissed. No action taken.

Article 11. Dismissed. No action taken

Article 12. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1250.00 for a fund to be known as the Emergency Defense Fund, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen in defraying the costs and expenses which may b incurred in securing such equipment and facilities as may be deemed necessary to protect the interests of the town in the present national emergency.

Article 13. Voted to authorize the Board of Assessors of Taxes to appoint one of its members to the position of Clerk to said board, as provided by Section 4a of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, and allow compensation of $400.00 from the Assessors' Expense appropriation.

Article 14. Voted that the sum of $4800.00 be appropriated from the proceeds of sale of real estate, to pay the balance due on the purchase price of the North Easton Village District Fire Station and fire equipment.

Article 15. Voted to adjourn.

A true record.
Attest: JOHN M. SMITH, Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION, MARCH 8, 1943

In accordance with the warrant, the voters of the town met at their respective polling places on Monday, March 8, 1943.

The following persons were duly sworn and performed the duties of election officers:

Precinct One—Clifton C. Ripley, Warden; Gertrude C. Heath, Deputy Warden; Jennie M. Goss, Clerk; Edith F. Schleicher, Deputy Clerk; Emily L. Wry, Michael J. Canty, John W. H. Stokinger, Ruth O. Ripley, Tellers.

Precinct Two—Stanley F. Rice, Warden; Charles E. Ladd, Deputy Warden; Mildred Deady, Clerk; John W. Mahoney, Deputy Clerk; Bernice E. Watts, Michael W. Murphy, Algernon B. Varnum, Vera S. Johnson, Helen T. Benson, Francis Callahan, I. Beulah Broman, Tellers.

Precinct Three—Harry T. Howard, Warden; Jessie Nickerson, Deputy Warden; Kathryn C. Howard, Clerk; Ruth Reynolds, Margery Cushing, Catherine Meade, Frederic Ricker, Gladys Alger, Tellers.

The polls were opened at ten o'clock A. M., and closed at eight o'clock P. M.

The number of ballots cast in Precinct One was one hundred fifty-six; in Precinct Two, six hundred thirty-eight; in Precinct Three, two hundred two; total vote, nine hundred ninety-six.

The result of the election was as follows:

SELECTMEN

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Edgar W. Baldwin	100	354	132	586
Denis C. Brophy	138	461	179	778
Clyde A. Craig	58	360	69	487
Albert E. Wood	77	328	99	504
Scattering	0	2	0	2
Blanks	95	409	127	631

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Edgar W. Baldwin	100	347	135	582
Denis C. Brophy	135	456	181	772
Clyde A. Craig	59	363	68	490
Albert E. Wood	76	323	102	501
Scattering	0	1	0	1
Blanks	98	424	120	642

ASSESSOR (To fill vacancy)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Mary E. Wade	125	439	140	704
Scattering	1	21	0	22
Blanks	30	178	62	270

ASSESSOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Kenneth C. Hayward	128	407	158	693
Scattering	10	55	13	78
Blanks	18	176	31	225

TOWN CLERK

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John M. Smith	140	492	170	802
Blanks	16	146	32	194

TOWN TREASURER

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John M. Smith	139	494	169	802
Blanks	17	144	33	194

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John M. Smith	137	487	170	794
Blanks	19	151	32	202

BOARD OF HEALTH

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Cora M. Hennigar	137	422	168	727
Blanks	19	216	34	269

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (One member)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Arthur F. Anderson	134	439	154	727
Blanks	22	199	48	269

TREE WARDEN

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Roscoe W. Melendy	138	437	166	741
Scattering	0	1	0	1
Blanks	18	200	36	254

MODERATOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Joseph W. Linehan	11	94	7	112
Scattering	9	6	9	24
Blanks	136	538	186	860

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Fifteen)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Walfrid J. G. Broman	98	358	139	595
Willis G. Buck	107	338	141	586
Joseph Connolly	96	385	125	606
Edgar W. Craig	88	341	125	554
Harris A. DeWitt	98	325	130	553
Herman Halvarson	93	323	131	547
E. Carlton Hayward	96	317	133	546
John B. Howard	109	332	144	585
Daniel L. Kent	99	363	128	590
Neubert B. Morse	106	346	137	589
Martin E. Reynolds	102	341	141	584
Robert G. Watt	105	367	135	607
F. Ellis White	107	338	141	586
Clarke L. Wilcox	105	326	137	568
Myron F. Williams	103	351	140	594
Blanks	828	4419	1003	6250

A true record.
Attest: JOHN M. SMITH, Town Clerk.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1943

JANUARY

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
1	Arthur Joseph Lovell	George and Mary F. Duford
5	Frederick Irving Pickett	Frederick I. and Mildred D. Nihan
8	George Joseph Holland	Charles J. and Margaret Kershaw
8	Timothy Bryant Marshall	George K. and Blanche A. Bryant
10	John Michael Iwaskiewicz	Michael L. and Nellie M. Chippen
13	Clara Ann Brown	Harold P. and Mildred I. Rollins
15	Mary Ada Scott	Clifford C. and Muriel A. Whitten
26	Carl George Carlson	Carl G. and Elouise G. Sherman
29	Linda Laura Jones	Clayton W. and Florence L. Tillson
30	Paul Michael Kelly	Joseph H. and Catherine E. Hewitt
30	Lela Frances Melendy	George E. and Virginia R. Packard

FEBRUARY

8	Calista Mae Bergeron	Harold F. and Martha E. O'Malley
8	———— Stoddard	Donald M. and Wilma V. Thibos
9	Shirley Ann Williams	Charles H. and Jane S. Reid
11	Charles James Wilbur	Charles E. and Bronislaw F. Kibart
15	Arthur Aubrey McNeill	John T. and Arlene E. Gibbs
16	Jeralyn Lorraine Jones	Stanley B. and Alice M. Johnson
18	Edward Charles Jacobson	Arthur G. N. and Doris E. Gilson
26	Caroline Nancy Skinner	Leslie A. and Hazel V. Cook
28	Barbara Ellen Hall	Claus A. and Arlene E. Holmberg

MARCH

4	Robert Edward Johnson	Walter J. E. and Kathleen Murphy
9	Joanne Mary Canty	Joseph J. and Georgina Bergeron
12	Patricia Louise Johnson	Delano A. and Jane M. Decker
23	Kathleen Barry Craig	Richard F. and Kathleen Arling
23	Linda Janet Wells	Herbert and Pauline Kilibaba

APRIL

2	Donald Arthur Lundgren	Arthur O. and Lena M. Johnson
8	Clifford Blaine Munro	Clifford A. and Madeline W. Childs
9	Irene Elizabeth Powers	Warren W. and Mary Teed
16	Anne Craig	Donald R. and Margaret A. Downey

MAY

1	James Michael Buckley	Joseph J. and Mary A. Morgan
4	Ruth Ann Hewitt	Albert J. and Lottie E. Holster
4	Rosemary Alice Sabin	Thomas W. and Martha C. Peterson
6	Frederick David Noyes	Burton W. and Lily J. Carlson
16	Gerald Roland Anderson	Frank R. and Esther M. Frasier
20	Mary Patricia Nagle	Richard F. and Rose I. Perry
23	Gerald Denis Burbank	Kenneth H. and Ruth E. Reardon
24	Virginia Louise Johnson	Vincent L. and Ada V. Swanson
28	David William Coggon	William B. and Grace E. Eastwood

JUNE

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
1	John Richard Maguire	John R. and Helena M. O'Neill
2	Francis Wesleyan Wood	Arthur W. and Mary A. Garcia
7	———— Lallis	Anthony and Stacia Kibart
8	———— Godsoe	George F. and Virginia J. Danforth
13	June Frances Anderson	Frank O. and Elva Fager
16	Wayne Elwin Pratt	Eldon S. and Vera M. Thornton
20	Viola Lucille Boothby	Milton and Ruth Howe
25	Maurice James Spillane	Maurice J. and Nora A. Morley

JULY

8	Sheila Anne Flynn	William L. and Mary E. Tierney
10	Eleanor Loretta Perry	Joseph and Mary E. Montiero
25	John Kenneth Russel Martin	John J. and Olive M. Buck
28	Daniel Gerard Sheehan	Paul C. and Grace V. Gilbert
30	Judith Evelyn Walker	Maynard A. and Evelyn Rudolph

AUGUST

6	Grace Goodman Healey	James H. and Loretta M. McGinty
8	Arthur Frederick Weir	Arthur R. and Gertrude Hanson
10	William Motley Ames	David and Elizabeth Motley
11	Harriet Jeannette Andrews	Hiram T. and Maybelle G. Vosmus
18	James Bradley	James and Mary Louise O'Keefe
18	Phyllis Marie Johnson	Elmer H. and Marie L. White
23	Richard Neves	Louis B. and Ann Fratus
26	Robert Thomas Samuelson	Robert E. N. and Beatrice M. Wry
26	John Peter Lewis	John W. and Bessie A. Rohdin
27	Catherine Claire Webber	Raymond W. and Emma B. Stokinger

SEPTEMBER

1	Paula Marie Smith	James C. and Doris G. Palm
2	Weston Murray Sarty	Stephen E. and Sadie H. DeMont
3	Isabelle Linda Camara	John and Isaelle Correia
13	Cornelius James Spillane	Clement S. and Evelyn M. Sewall
14	John Edward Holland	Everett and Hazel Bailey
16	John Paul Silva	John A. and Eileen Regina Marsden
16	Dorothea Kathleen Williams	Avery L. and Margaret Mary Adams
16	Edward Robert Doyle	Arthur R. and Dorothy Keyes
18	Jane Maliff	Richard T. and Virginia B. Nolan
21	Susan Gail Carlson	John A. F. and Shirley M. Slager
23	John Kenneth Leggat	John K. and Helen S. Pinkham
25	William Francis Hasenfuss	William F. and Helen G. Audlee
29	Karin Louise Almquist	Harland F. and Enis W. Larson
30	Paul Charles Harvey	Clifford M. and Alice W. Berry

OCTOBER

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
2	Rosemary Craig	Franklin E. and Helen G. Corkum
5	Donald Albert Rollins	Royal H. and Bena L. Yeager
6	Thomas John Hickey	Harold J. and Judith L. Larson
6	Richard Keene Mandeville	Gardner K. and Constance V. Willis
7	Kathleen Frances Robicheau	Edward J. and Jean E. Martin
25	Richard Franklin Drew	Franklin D .and Ruth Reed
31	Richard Joseph Pratt	Anthony V. and Muriel M. Dahlborg
31	Robert Anthony Pratt	Anthony V. and Muriel M. Dahlborg

NOVEMBER

1	Susan Jane Standley	Robert E. and Jean Strickland
2	Henry Ellsworth Lindstrom	Henry E. and Florance R. Trongeau
12	Russel James Nichols	Clarence W. and Hattie M. Harlow
14	Phillip Gene Randall	Alton E. and Victoria V. St. Amand
23	Peter Clifford Farrell	Richard O. and Pauline A. Nelson
29	Lois May Bonney	Howard E. and Hazel E. Studley

DECEMBER

6	Richard Anton Elmes	George C. and Alice E. Christensen
14	Sheila Millidene Daniels	Roy J. and Sarah M. Corkum
17	Isabelle Jean Flynn	William T. and Isabelle J. Diamond
19	James Edward Hewitt	James J. and Marjorie F. O'Neil
27	Nancy Helen Levi	Stuart A. and Ann Phyllis Caron

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1943

January 9. George Cravencho of Taunton and Mary Augusta Varella of Easton.

January 24. Daniel Charles Doyle of Easton and Ethel Beatrice Glenn of Whitman.

January 29. Maynard Alden Walker and Evelyn May Underhill, both of Easton.

January 30. Carl Gunnar Olson and Dorothy Louise Coughlin, both of Easton.

February 6. Frank William Turner of Milton and Winifred Irene Willis of Easton.

February 15. William Francis Hasenfuss of Dedham and Helen Geraldine Audlee of Easton.

February 20. William Thomas Flynn of Bridgewater and Isabelle Jean Diamond of Easton.

February 23. George Henry Smith of Easton and Laura Elizabeth Hines of Brockton.

February 25. Joseph Nagle and Hazel Charlotte Benson, both of Easton.

March 6. Joseph John Tomaszewski of Taunton and Elsie Emelia Heino of Easton.

March 13. Frederick Alexander Mason of Easton and Lillian Florence Heath of Brockton.

March 13. Michael Malanchuk of Hempstead, N. Y. and Lucille Ann Merry of Easton.

March 20. Robert V. Loftin of Bogata, Texas and Virginia Rose White of Easton.

March 24. Robert Paul Callahan and Julia Mary Svoboda, both of Easton.

March 28. William Donald Randall of Easton and Ruth Lillian Keith of Stoughton.

March 31. Victor Baldwin of Sharon and Frances Alberta Hunt of Easton.

April 5. John James Meehan of Stoughton and Marion Ruth Meehan of Easton.

April 7. Harry S. Pimentel of Quincy and Mary Catherine Regan of Easton.

April 17. Roland Frederick Rohdin of Easton and Reba Bernice Ferguson of Whitman.

May 1. Leon Elmer Sault of Taunton and Cynthia Louise Vosmus of Easton.

May 1. Abel Correia of Stoughton and Mary Ann Correia of Easton.

May 2. Manuel Joseph Rego of Easton and Catherine Elizabeth Olivieri of Somerville.

May 9. Lawrence Roy Curtis of Easton and Lillian Grace Seaborn of Medfield.

May 29. John Silva Azevedo, Jr. and Mildred Gertrude Holmes, both of Easton.

June 5. Whitney Pearce of Brockton and Ethel Adeline Banks of Easton.

June 12. Henning Gustaf Lindgren of Medford and Rose Marie Range of Dedham.

June 12. Kenneth Warren Lawson of Easton and Blanche Spencer of Brookline.

June 13. Edward Lawrence McMenamy of Easton and Margaret Mary Cruise of Brockton.

June 19. John William Maguire of Taunton and Grace Lubell Greenlaw of Easton.

June 19. Manuel Joseph Correia of Easton and Phyllis Irene White of Brockton.

June 19. Charle Francis Riordan of Boston and Mary Johanna Kelly of Easton.

June 24. David Hayes Marston of Boston and Helena Alberta Griffin of Mansfield.

June 26. Francis Elmer Banks of Easton and Lillian Roseline Sylvia of Stoughton.

June 27. Frank Crockett Cuzner of Easton and Genevieve May Farrin of Saugus.

July 3. Manuel S. Gomes of Easton and Hilda Gomes of Taunton.

July 10. James John Adams of Easton and Lorraine Lucille Plourde of Brockton.

July 16. Edward Allan Sherman of Easton and Hulda Justine Pearson of Brockton.

July 20. Edward James Doherty, Jr. of Worcester and Helen Louise Roche of Easton.

July 21. Anthony Thomas Pires, Jr. of Easton and Bemvinda Mary Fernandes of Norton.

July 24. Emanuel Alex Holmander of Easton and Mary Elsie Boyle of Taunton.

August 11. Charles Irving Wright and Florence Belle Holmes, both of Easton.

August 15. George William Baird of Easton and Mildred Louise Gay of Stoughton.

August 17. William Franklin Randall of Easton and Norma Leavitt Buck of Brockton.

September 4. Earl Frederick Peterson of Easton and Agnes Christine Nilsen of Holbrook.

September 10. Frederick Charlton Thomas of Brockton and Barbara Sybil Fenwick of Easton.

September 12. John Henry Lancaster of Brockton and Margaret Ellen Bruce of Easton.

October 10. Louis Francis Abreu of Easton and Barbara Louise Cole of Sharon.

October 17. Edwin Clarence Holster of Easton and Grace Marie Hannon of Brockton.

October 17. Cornelius Andrew Spillane of Easton and Mary Ellen Costigan of Brockton.

October 21. Charles William Holland and June Elizabeth Mitchell, both of Easton.

October 26. Antonio Albert Jonda Povoas of Plymouth and Mary Constance Pires of Easton.

October 31. Gilman Carlton Gunn, Jr. of Keene, N. H. and Shirley Joan Peck of Easton.

November 5. George Francis Edlund of Easton and Arlene Elizabeth Weston of Brockton.

November 5. Sylvio Luger Therrien of Brockton and Jeannette Mary Vosmus of Easton.

November 13. Manuel Paul Travers and Lucina Dulce Salgado, both of Easton.

November 15. Harold Robert Alton Palm of Easton and Lillian Bernard Cook of Whitman.

November 20. George Henry McLain of Millinocket, Me. and Irene Theresa LeRoy of Easton.

November 21. Joseph Godfrey of Easton and Jeannette Eldora Paul of Hanson.

November 25. Joseph Amaral Sylvester of Falmouth and Agnes Dorothy Godsoe of Easton.

December 1. Joseph Adrian Roland Morin of Manchester, N. H. and Genevieve Chillingworth of Easton.

December 6. Arthur Walter Park of Easton and Laura Mae Hyde of Brockton.

December 12. John Raleigh Heilman, Jr. of Brooklyn, N. Y. and Eleanor Christine Lundgren of Easton.

December 15. Carlton Stanley Jacobson of Easton and Barbara Folsom of West Warwick, R. I.

December 29. William Philip Dufault of Brockton and Myrtle Anna Millet of Easton.

December 31. Alonzo Milton Hobart and Frances F. Runnels, both of Easton.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1943

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
JANUARY					
7	Eva E. Curtis	58			Peritonitis
10	Katherine McCann	70			Diabetes Mellitus
13	Julia L. Belcher	78	7	24	Myocarditis
13	Clara A. Brown	15 Hrs.			Prematurity
13	Daniel J. Eddy	74	9	4	Chronic Myocarditis
14	Mabelle R. Hanlon	66	2	18	Coronary Thrombosis
20	Laura D. Andrews	77	2	12	Arterio Sclerotic Heart Disease
23	Horatio C. Billington	73	1	27	Myocarditis & Arterio Sclerosis
23	Willard A. Litchfield	21	3	27	Bullet Wound of Heart
23	Matilda P. Silva	53			General Abdominal Carcinomatosis
25	Emma L. Keith	77	11	13	Chronic Myocarditis
27	Cornelius L. Reardon	64			Pulmonary Embolism
30	Annie L. Sabean	79	6	2	Heart Disease
31	Charles W. Rice	65	4	19	Carcinoma of Larynx & Lungs
FEBRUARY					
5	Caroline Messier	80			Cerebral Hemorrhage
9	———— Stoddard	1½ Days			Prematurity
10	Emma A. Haglund	58	4	8	Pyemia-Decubitus
12	M. Maud Welch	42	6	21	Cerebral Hemorrhage
22	Mandana T. Howard	89	6	19	Senility
23	Flora M. Wilbur	60	6	30	Chronic Valvular Heart Disease
25	Florence V. Parker	58	2	10	Pulmonary Embolism
28	John C. White	82	0	17	Pernicious Anemia
MARCH					
7	Johanna Sundling	90	7	0	Arterio Sclerosis
13	Margaret M. Coughlin	63			Cholecystitis-Peritonitis
18	Elsie C. Pyper	72	7	20	Myocraditis-Arterio Sclerosis
26	Margaret E. Mahoney	63			Cerebral Hemorrhage
26	Mary E. Edlund	60	6	25	Carcinoma of Cecum
27	Albertina Ericson	79	3	21	Carcinoma of Colon
APRIL					
1	Catherine F. McGinty	72	10	0	Cerebral Hemorrhage
3	Herbert H. Linfield	54	9	25	Coronary Heart Disease
17	Rose Finnegan	68	6	6	Carcinomatosis
19	Julia E. Lund	78	11	21	Terminal Pneumonia
22	Ida Eak	76	5	0	Cerebral Thrombosis
22	Cora C. Willis	80	9	20	Coronary Disease
30	Francis H. Maliff	82	2	30	Cerebral Thrombosis

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
MAY					
1	Ella L. Randall	69	11	29	Influenza-Broncho Pneumonia
4	Catherine D. Tormin	73	11	0	Cerebral Thrombosis
7	Samuel Jones	56			Chronic Myocarditis
11	Luther M. White	86	3	11	General Arterio Sclerosis
12	Mary S. Kenney	56	4	22	Cerebral Hemorrhage
17	Elin O. Swanson	52	6	9	Coronary Thrombosis
18	Louise Dole	82	4	6	Inanition-Arterio Sclerosis
23	Lawrence Fitzpatrick	33			Choria Epithelioma
24	Lloyd Manzer	54	3	24	Chronic Myocarditis
26	Robert W. Reams	71	4	6	Chronic Myocarditis
31	Julia Desmond	59			Cancer of Cecum
JUNE					
7	——— Lallis	3 Hrs. 35 Min.			Prematurity
29	Emma G. Conlin	79	8	7	General Arterio Sclerosis
JULY					
1	Mabelle S. Leighton	70	11	3	Carcinoma of Pancreas
25	Oliver A. Parker	22	11	18	Aeroplane Accident
29	Edward C. Hayward	51	2	11	Crush of Thorax-Accident
30	George A. Anderson	59	7	20	Coronary Thrombosis
30	Ragnar G. Peterson	53	2	22	Arterio Sclerotic Heart Disease
31	Cecelia Johnson	22			Automobile Accident
AUGUST					
2	Charles H. Tonnell	83	7	11	Cerebral Thrombosis
4	James A. Harris	68	3	9	Chronic Myocarditis
16	Edward Erikson	63	0	23	Coronary Thrombosis
21	Arthur B. Briggs	55	3	10	Coronary Heart Disease
SEPTEMBER					
1	Carrie Jepson	80			Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
4	Pauline B. Capone	39	3	3	Carcinoma
5	Frank W. Maguire	62	8	26	Coronary Thrombosis
7	Albert Turner	75			Cancer of Rectum
16	Charles G. Robinson	65	10	7	General Arterio Sclerosis
28	Jack Penna	60	2	10	Diabetic Coma
OCTOBER					
2	Cecil Bluto	26	3	11	Automobile Accident
5	Katherine J. Belcher	77			Terminal Pneumonia
14	Antonio P. Meniz	75	6	6	Congestive Heart Failure
14	George E. Chisholm	50			Uremia-Hydropyenephrosis
17	Anton Noponen	77	8	21	Bronco Pneumonia
31	May G. Knight	82	8	0	Cerebral Hemorrhage

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
NOVEMBER					
3	Charles E. Ladd	75	8	14	Multiple Injuries- Auto Accident
14	Hannah Maliff	79			Coronary Occlusion
18	Ervin R. Sabean	83	3	5	Coronary Disease
19	Blanche W. Daughaday	75	0	1	Chronic Myocarditis
19	Margaret G. Dean	72	2	13	Diabetic Coma
19	Oreste G. Favor	79	1		Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
DECEMBER					
5	Isabelle B. Hiltz	67	5	27	Broncho Pneumonia
9	Ada J. Rowell	87	1	21	Angina Pectoris
12	Margaret A. Knapp	70	5	13	Hypertensive Heart Disease
13	Emelia Nelson	78	10	12	Chronic Myocarditis
19	Stephen R. Adams	77			Congestive Heart Failure
20	Mary A. Hunt	87	11	25	Cerebral Hemorrhage
25	George N. Bailey	72			Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
28	Margaret Buckley	84	8	3	Broncho Pneumonia
31	John F. Callahan	81	7	16	Chronic Myocarditis

LICENSES, 1943
(Paid to Town Treasurer)

Wines and Beer

(Fee $175.00)

George W. Swanson

Liquor (Full License)

(Fee $400.00)

Cappy's, Inc.
James R. Conlon
The Four Hundred
John J. Spillane

Package Goods

(Fee $200.00)

Damiano Mitrano
Barney Wasserman

Special Liquor Permits

Easton Rod and Gun Club (4), $4.00
Swedish Friends of America (1), $1.00

Victuallers' Licenses

(Fee $5.00)

James R. Conlon
Albion E. Fuller
O'Connor's News Store
Ernest W. Corcoran
John J. Spillane
Robert H. McAfee
The Four Hundred
George W. Swanson
Frank E. Hart
Nathaniel M. Gordon
Norma L. Buck
Cappy's, Inc.

Junk License

(Fee $20.00)

William Familant

Sunday License

(Fee $5.00)

David Pickett
Everett W. Ericson
Charlotte Kimball
George N. Bailey
Edgar H. Rohdin
Hannah Pomeroy

Milk Licenses, Board of Health

41 Licenses @ 50c, $20.50

Oleomargarine Licenses, Board of Health

8 Licenses @ 50c, $4.00

Pasteurization Licenses, Board of Health

(Fee $10.00)

Charles J. Slavin	Charles E. Wilbur

Non-Alcoholic Beverage License, Board of Health

(Fee $20.00)

Simpson Spring Company

Auctioneer's License

(Fee $2.00)

Arthur W. Bailey

Out of State Auctioneer's License

(Fee $5.00)

G. M. Granger, Jr.

Gasoline License Registration

(Fee 50c)

Frank E. Blake
John J. Conlon
Melvin G. Earle
George C. Field
Charlotte Kimball
Main Street Garage
David Pickett
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.
Swift Brothers
Hazel L. Frasier
Wallace B. Caswell
Carl Dahl
Easton Motor Sales
Anthony Garcia
Wendell Ladd
Roy C. Oman
Edgar H. Rohdin
Harry J. D. Sundell
Clifton Badeau
Brooks Farrar

Slaughtering License

(Fee $25.00)

Joseph H. Wilbur

Sunday Entertainment License

(Fee $1.00)

John Uston (28)	Harold Darling (1)

State Pedler's Licenses

(Fee $11.00)

Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts, $33.00

Automobile Dealer's Licenses

(Fee $10.00)

Earle's Motor Sales
Hayward Motors
Paul Mitrano
Easton Motor Sales

Second Hand Dealer's License

(Fee $5.00)

Robert C. Benson

HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING LICENSES, 1943

95 Resident Citizen Fishing @ $2.00	$190.00
93 Resident Citizen Hunting @ $2.00	186.00
60 Resident Citizen Sporting @ $3.25	195.00
22 Resident Citizen Minor and Female Fishing @ $1.25	27.50
3 Resident Citizen Minor Trapping @ $2.25	6.75
8 Resident Citizen Trapping @ $5.25	42.00
28 Resident Citizen Sporting* @ $.00	.00
10 Resident Military Service** @ $.00	.00
1 Duplicate License @ $.50	.50
320 Total	$647.75

*(Free to residents over 70 years o age. No fees allowed.)

**(Free to residents in military service. No fees allowed.)

Fees on 281 Licenses to Town Treasurer @ 25c	70.25
Paid Com. of Mass., Div. of Fisheries and Game	$577.50

The total number of licenses issued for each of the past five years was as follows: 1939, 343; 1940, 350; 1941, 341; 1942, 357; 1943, 320.

JOHN M. SMITH,
Town Clerk.

DOG LICENSES

Issued December 1, 1942 to December 1, 1943

Individual Licenses	515
Kennel Licenses	1
Transfer Licenses	2
	518

The above 518 Licenses were as follows:

1 Kennel @ $50.00		$50.00
334 Male @ $2.00		668.00
60 Female @ $5.00		300.00
121 Female Spayed @ $2.00		242.0
2 Transfer @ $.25		.50
518 Total		$1260.50
Less fees to Town Treasury,		
516 @ 20c	$103.70	
2 @ 25c	.50	103.70
Paid to Treas. of Bristol County		$1156.80

DOGS

For the benefit of the owners and keepers of dogs, the following extract of the General Laws is submitted:

General Laws, Chapter 140

Section 137—Licenses and Tags. The owner or keeper of a dog which is three months old or over shall annually, on or before March thirty-first, cause ito be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from April first following, if the dog is kept in Boston in the office of the police commissioner, or if kept in any other town in the office of the clerk thereof. The license shall be in a form prescribed by the director, upon a blank to be furnished, except in the County of Suffolk, by the county in which the town is located, and shall be subject to the conditions expressed therein that the dog which is the subject of the license shall be controlled and restrained from killing, chasing or harassing live stock or fowls. The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck or body a collar or harness of leather or other suitable material, to which shall be securely attacher a tag in a form prescribed by the director, and upon which shall appear the license number, the name of the town issuing such license and the year of issue. Such tags shall be furnished in the same manner as the license blanks, and if any such tag shall be lost the owner or keeper of such dog shall forthwith secure a substitute tag from the town clerk, at a cost of ten cents which shall be retained by the clerk, unless otherwise provided by law. Any person may bring or cause to be brought from another state or county any dog licensed under the laws thereof and keep such dogs in this commonwealth for a period not exceeding thirty days without licensing it hereunder, and during such period the foregoing provisions of this section shall not apply to such dog.

Section 138—Licenses. A persons who after April first in any year becomes the owner or keeper of a dog which is not duly licensed, and the owner or keeper of a dog when it becomes three months old after March thirty-first in any year, shall cause it to be registered, numbered, described, licensed, collared or harnessed and tagged as required by section one hundred and thirty-seven. A person who after April first in any year becomes the owner or keeper of a dog which is duly licensed in the town where kept shall forthwith give notice in writing to the clerk of such town, of if kept in Boston to the police commissioner, that he has become such owner or keeper, and said clerk of said police commissioner, as the case may be, shall change the record of such license to show the name and address of the new owner or keeper.

JOHN M. SMITH,
Town Clerk.

Report of Registrars of Voters

For the Year 1943

Organization
JOHN M. SMITH, Clerk
LUTHER E. SWIFT
SIGFRID V. LEDIN
JOHN J. GALVIN

Three meetings for registration were held during the year. Total names added, fourteen.

After the close of registration on February 17, 1943, the number of registered voters was 2926. After registration closed, the voting lists were corrected and new lists printed. Several meetings were held for the certification of nomination papers.

Three Assistant Registrars were appointed as last year and the street list and the list of dog owners were compiled by these Assistant Registrars.

LUTHER E. SWIFT,
SIGFRID V. LEDIN,
JOHN J. GALVIN,
JOHN M. SMITH,
Registrars of Voters.

Report of the Assessors

To the Citizens of Easton:

We respectfully submit the following report of the financial condition of the Town of Easton as assessed January 1, 1943:

Value of Real Estate	$4,538,540.00
Value of Personal Estate	519,770.00
Value of Real Estate assessed in December	1,700.00
	$5,060,010.00

Value of Automobiles assessed	$270,815.00
Number of Automobiles assessed	1,780
Rate of Excise Tax per thousand of valuation	$36.33
Number of corporations and persons assessed	1,522
Rate of Property Tax per thousand of valuation	$27.00
Number of males assessed	1,888
Rate of Poll Tax	$2.00
Number of dwelling houses assessed	1,436
Number of acres of land assessed	16,850.49
Number of horses assessed	61
Number of cows assessed	478
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed	147
Number of swine assessed	60
Number of fowl assessed	22,205
Number of sheep assessed	4
Number of other animals assessed	192

Valuation of the Districts:

North Easton Village District	$2,400,605.00
South Easton and Eastondale District	1,201,550.00
Unionville District	528,265.00
Easton Center District	103,245.00

Amount appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1943		$ 7,800.00
Amount raised and appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1943, including the Overlay		205,950.81
State Tax		4,400.00
State Parks Tax		147.04
School Bonds and Interest		12,211.25
County Tax		7,722.51
County Hospital Tax		4,870.08
Deficits in Overlay Accounts of 1938, 1939, 1940		60.03
		$243,161.72
Estimated Receipts	$80,009.72	
Available Funds ($7,800.00 approp. at Town Meeting) ($15,000.00 used by Assessors from Excess and Deficiency Fund to reduce the Tax Levy)	22,800.00	
		102,809..72
Total amount raised by taxation on Polls and Property		$140,352.00

There was a decrease in the Tax Rate for 1943 of $2.00 per thousand dollars of valuation.

There was a gain of $34,725.00 in Real Estate Valuation, and a gain of $8,245.00 in Personal Property, making a net gain of $42,970.00 in assessable property as compared with 1942.

There was a decrease in Motor Vehicle Valuation in 1943 of $116,325.00.

The amount transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account for the purpose of reducing the Tax Rate was $10,000.00 less in 1943 than in 1942; in 1943 the amount used was $15,000.00.

There was a decrease in the State Tax of $8,800.00 in 1943. This was offset to a great extent by $8,000.00 less of Estimated Receipts for 1943.

Approximately $19,000.00 less was raised and appropriated at the Annual Meeting in 1943 as compared with 1942.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH W. LINEHAN,
KENNETH C. HAYWARD,
MARY E. WADE,
Board of Assessors of Easton.

Report of Tax Collector

TAXES OF 1939

Dr.

Uncollected balance, Jan. 1, 1943	$53.30

Cr.

Abated in 1943 (Real Estate Taxes)	$53.30

TAXES OF 1940

Dr.

Uncollected balance, Jan. 1, 1943	$37.70

Cr.

Abated in 1943 (Real Estate Taxes)	$37.70

TAXES OF 1941

Dr.

Uncollected balance, Jan. 1, 1943	$5,414.66	
Interest charged	340.20	
Costs charged	42.75	
Tax Taking Interest	2.77	
Tax Taking Costs	20.40	
		$5,820.78

Cr.

Collected in 1943	$5,254.98	
Interest collected	340.20	
Costs collected	42.75	
Abatements	123.26	
Tax Takings	36.42	
Tax Taking Interest	2.77	
Tax Taking Costs	20.40	
		$5,820.78

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	Tax Takings	Total
Personal	$240.00	$87.02	.00	$327.02
Real	4,732.29	32.50	$34.38	4,799.17
N. Easton	112.98	2.81	1.91	117.70
S. Easton	76.92	.93	.00	77.85
Unionville	30.98	.00	.13	31.11
E. Center	61.81	.00	.00	61.81
Total	$5,254.98	$123.26	$36.42	$5,414.66

TAXES OF 1942

Dr.

Uncollected balance, Jan. 1, 1943	$23,834.10	
Committed in 1943	2.00	
Payment after abatement	26.83	
Abatement after payment	26.83	
Interest abatement after payment	.84	
Interest charged	533.75	
Costs charged	138.80	
Tax Taking Interest	14.42	
Tax Taking Costs	9.80	
		$24,587.37

Cr.

Collected in 1943	$19,669.37	
Interest collected	533.75	
Costs collected	138.80	
Abatements	201.86	
Abatements refunded	26.83	
Interest abatement refunded	.84	
Tax Taking Account	398.03	
Tax Taking Interest	14.42	
Tax Taking Costs	9.80	
Uncollected balance, Dec. 31, 1943	3,593.67	
		$24,587.37

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	Re-funded	Tax Takings	Uncollected	Total
Excise	$293.90	$116 76	.00	.00	.00	$410.66
Poll	34.00	22.00	.00	.00	.00	56.00
Personal ..	765.03	18.50	.00	.00	$151.47	935.00
Real	17,605.56	42.05	$26.83	$385.00	3,234.69	21,294.13
N. Easton .	375.44	2.55	.00	4.51	93.37	475.87
S. Easton .	223.33	.00	.00	.25	13.48	237.06
Unionville .	281.38	.00	.00	6.37	22.32	310.07
E. Center ..	90.73	.00	.00	1.90	78.34	170.97
Total	$19,669.37	$201.86	$26.83	$398.03	$3,593.67	$23,889.76

TAXES OF 1943

Dr.

Personal Property Commitment	$14,635.60	
Real Estate Commitment	127,605.61	
December Commitment	162.84	
Excise Commitments	9,348.79	
Poll Commitments	3,800.00	
Abatements after payment	34.20	
Interest charged	54.19	
Costs charged	197.25	
		$155,838.48

Cr.

Collected in 1943	$134,942.59	
Interest collected	54.19	
Costs collected	197.25	
Abatements	2,133.46	
Abatements refunded	34.20	
Tax Taking Account	404.54	
Uncollected balance, Dec. 31, 1943	18,072.25	
		$155,838.48

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	Re-funded	Tax Takings	Uncollected	Total
Excise	$8,928.98	$203.84	$27.44	.00	$215.97	$9,376.23
Poll	2,832.00	936.00	4.00	.00	32.00	3,804.00
Personal	12,712.92	456.30	.00	.00	864.70	14,033.92
Real	105,585.07	464.80	2.70	$394.36	16,257.15	122,704.08
N. Easton	1,275.17	4.74	.06	1.76	160.22	1,441.95
S. Easton	1,052.23	6.60	.00	.25	145.35	1,204.43
Unionville	1,753.40	61.18	.00	6.37	186.70	2,007.65
E. Center	802.82	.00	.00	1.80	210.16	1,014.78
Total	$134,942.59	$2,133.46	$34.20	$404.54	$18,072.25	$155,587.04

1943 WATER LIENS, SOUTH EASTON DISTRICT

Dr.

1943 Commitment	$80.70	
Interest charged	2.95	
		$83.65

Cr.

Collected in 1943	$47.71	
Interest collected	2.95	
Uncollected balance, Dec. 31, 1943	32.99	
		$83.65

JOHN M. SMITH,
Collector of Taxes.

Report of Town Treasurer

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand, January 1, 1943	$79,621.90
Withholding Tax	6,569.30
Received from Collector of Taxes:	
Town and District Taxes of 1941	5,254.98
Town and District Taxes of 1942	19,669.37
Town and District Taxes of 1943	134,942.59
Interest on Taxes	927.30
Water Liens, South Easton District	50.66
Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Income Tax	24,378.40
Corporation Tax	12,993.29
Meal Tax	1,585.94
Public Works, Chapter 90	699.81
County of Bristol:	
Dog Fund of 1942	988.79
Highway Department, Chapter 90	699.81
Oliver Ames Highway Fund, Income	17,923.48
Oliver Ames Highway Fund, 2nd Income	1,049.00
Oliver Ames School Fund, Income	14,787.54
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds, Income	408.58
Young Scholarship Fund, Income	76.43
Dog Licenses of 1943	1,165.80
Federal Grant, Old Age Assistance	26,963.55

Federal Grant, Old Age Assistance Administration	896.37	
Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent Children	1,952.50	
Federal Grant, Aid to Dependent Children Administration	121.29	
Road Machinery Fund	350.80	
Tax Taking Account:		
Town	617.38	
North Easton District	9.76	
South Easton District	7.20	
Interest and Costs	42.95	
Departmental Receipts:		
Dog Officer	144.00	
Fire	73.50	
Health	736.70	
Highways	256.10	
Incidentals	2,596.50	
Old Age Assistance	25,757.96	
Aid to Dependent Children	3,258.23	
Public Welfare	924.74	
Police	1,518.30	
Schools	4,757.12	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	58.29	
Tax Collector	466.84	
Town Clerk	483.45	
Tree	20.40	
Emergency Defense	20.39	
		$395,827.29

EXPENDITURES

Withholding Tax	$ 6,569.30
North Easton District Taxes	1,763.59
South Easton and Eastondale District Taxes	1,352.48

Unionville District Taxes	2,065.76
Easton Center District Taxes	955.36
Tax Title Account:	
North Easton Village District	9.76
South Easton and Eastondale District	7.20
Water Liens:	
South Easton and Eastondale District	50.66
Tax Refunds:	
Excise Tax, 1943	27.44
Town Tax, 1942	26.83
Town Tax, 1943	6.70
Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
State Tax	4,400.00
State Parks and Reservations	140.73
Paid County of Bristol:	
County Tax	8,714.65
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	4,870.08
Dog Licenses	1,156.80
Selectmen's Expense	269.32
Town Offices	825.71
Accountant's Salary	800.00
Accountant's Expense	59.14
Treasurer's Expense	917.89
Collector's Expense	1,374.46
Assessors' Expense	681.86
Law	600.00
Town Clerk's Expense	418.84
Elections	272.55
Registrars' Expense	348.28
Town Officers' Salaries	6,764.96

Police	8,809.45
Police Car Radio	226.50
Fire	8,403.19
Dog Officer	200.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	497.48
Rent of Fire Station	4,800.00
Moth	2,388.64
Tree	2,582.10
Salary of Forest Warden	300.00
Emergency Defense	1,057.59
Inspection of Animals	100.00
Health	2,739.62
Highways	31,150.91
Highways—Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,099.43
Registrars' Salaries	225.00
Welfare	5,083.27
Old Age Assistance—Town	33,973.98
Old Age Assistance—Federal	25,490.03
Old Age Assistance Administration—Town	172.02
Old Age Assistance Administration—Federal	987.43
Aid to Dependent Children—Town	2,563.50
Aid to Dependent Children—Federal	1,730.50
Aid to Dependent Children Administration—Town	11.52
Aid to Dependent Children Administration—Federal	16.00
Town Physician	800.00
Nurses	600.00
Soldiers' Relief	513.05
Schools	103,294.50
School Bonds	9,500.00
Interest on School Bonds	2,711.25
Finance Committee Expense	12.14
Incidentals	19.31

Memorial Day and Armistice Days	352.92	
Pensions	991.00	
Town Reports	635.10	
Cemeteries	875.96	
Young Scholarship Fund	76.43	
Cash on Hand, December 31, 1943	94,387.12	
		$395,827.29

JOHN M. SMITH,
Town Treasurer.

TOWN OF EASTON

Financial Statement as of December 31, 1943

LIABILITIES

Outstanding School Bonds of 1929, 4¼%	$45,000.00
Outstanding School Bonds of 1938, 2%	22,000.00
	$67,000.00

ASSETS

Cash in Treasury (General Account)	$94,387.12
Net Surplus	$27,387.12

Uncollected Town and District Taxes
As of December 31, 1943

For the year 1942	Commitment	Uncollected	% Collected
Town	$162,629.02	$ 3,386.16	.9792
District	8,251.74	207.51	.9748
For the year 1943			
Town	$149,884.09	$17,369.82	.8841
District	5,668.75	702.43	.8750

The Town of Easton has twenty-three tax titles for $2101.02.

Estimated income from Ames Trust Funds for 1944, $31,350.00, for use of Schools and Road Departments.

JOHN M. SMITH,
Treasurer and Tax Collector.

REPORT OF CEMETERY FUNDS HELD BY TOWN TREASURER

	Principal	Balance Dec. 31, 1942	Interest 1943	Withdrawn 1943	Balance Dec. 31, 1943
Daniel M. Dailey Fund	$150.00	$150.00	$3.77	$3.77	$150.00
Daniel Belcher Fund	200.00	280.99	7.05	7.05	280.99
Margaret J. Fisher Fund	100.00	120.71	3.03	3.03	120.71
Almira E. Packard Fund	100.00	149.46	3.75	3.75	149.46
Lewis Williams Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Lothrop & Towne Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Cyrus Alger Fund	300.00	400.00	10.06	10.06	400.00
Pine Grove Cemetery	1,480.38	1,480.38	37.23	37.23	1,480.38
E. D. & E. N. Williams Fund	150.00	150.00	3.77	3.77	150.00
Elizaeth F. Drake Fund	200.00	279.41	7.02	7.02	279.41
William Erving Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
S. Olive Drake Fund	243.41	332.34	5.00	5.00	332.34
Robert M. Malloy Lots	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Archie J. McEntee Lots	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Thomas C. McDermott Lots	1,000.00	1,086.75	27.33	5.00	1,109.08
E. L. Lewis Fund	200.00	200.00	5.03	5.03	200.00
Dean, Keith Family Lot	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Reed Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00

JOHN M. SMITH,
Treasurer of Easton.

REPORT OF CEMETERY FUNDS HELD BY SELECTMEN

	Principal	Balance Dec. 31, 1942	Interest 1943	Withdrawn 1943	Balance Dec. 31, 1943
Nancy B. Buck Fund	$200.00	$211.18	$5.30	$5.30	$211.18
Josiah Williams Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Howe-Keith-White Fund	200.00	210.00	5.28	5.28	210.00
Seth L. French Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Alonzo Marshall Fund	200.00				200.00

EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,
Selectmen of Easton.

REPORT OF THE HIRAM P. AND MARY L. DRAKE SPECIAL CEMETERY FUND

Original amount of Fund		$500.00
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank January 1, 1943	632.25	
Interest added in 1943	15.90	
		$648.15
Transferred to Town Treasurer's Account, 1943	$15.90	
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank December 31, 1943	632.25	
		$648.15

REPORT OF THE HIRAM P. AND MARY L. DRAKE GENERAL CEMETERY FUND

Original amount of Fund		$10,685.75
Original sum turned over to the Town of Easton as shown in Executor's account; in North Easton Savings Bank	$10,685.75	
Interest added in 1943	268.80	
		$10,954.55
Transferred to Town Treasurer's Account, 1943	$ 268.80	
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank December 31, 1943	10,685.75	
		$10,954.55

EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,
Selectmen of Easton.

WORLD WAR MEMORIAL FUND

The following is a statement of the condition of the fund as of December 31, 1943:

On Deposit, December 31, 1942		$12,043.83
Credited, Interest, April, 1943	$150.54	
Credited, Interest, October, 1943	152.43	302.97
Balance in North Easton Savings Bank, December, 31, 1943		$12,346.80

JOHN M. SMITH,
Town Treasurer.

YOUNG FELLOWSHIP FUND

On deposit, December 31, 1942		$3,038.45
Credited, Interest, April, 1943	$37.98	
Credited, Interest, October, 1943	38.45	76.43
		$3,114.88
Withdrawn, 1943		76.43
Balance in North Easton Savings Bank, December 31, 1943		$3,038.45

(The amount withdrawn was paid as a scholarship, as directed by the School Committee.)

JOHN M. SMITH,
Town Treasurer.

SUMMARY OF AMES TRUST FUNDS

The following statement is supplied the Town Treasurer by the office of the Trustees, Messrs. John S. Ames and William A. Parker.

"Following is a summary of the Ames Trust Funds held for the benefit of the Town of Easton as of December 31, 1943, together with an estimate of 1944 income. The estimate for 1944 income is based on the amounts which the various companies are now paying. This estimate does not allow for any deductions which may have to be made before the net income is paid over to the Town of Easton; neither does it take into consideration any extra dividends which might be paid by the various companies."

Funds for the benefit of Easton Highways

	Book Value	Approximate Market Value	Income Paid Town 1943	Estimated Income 1944
Original Fund	$367,368.22	$399,535.00	$17,923.48	$16,600.00
Permanent Fund	25,628.30	25,069.75	1,049.00	850.00

Fund for the benefit of the Easton Schools

Original Fund	$313,474.59	$319,492.45	$14,787.54	$13.900.00

JOHN M. SMITH,
Town Treasurer.

OAKES AMES MEMORIAL HALL ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report for Year 1943

Balance on hand, January 1, 1943		$11.87
Received for Rent of Halls (entertainments, etc.)		101.10
		$112.97
Expenditures:		
Janitor	$40.77	
Coal	15.00	
Light	7.86	
Water	14.00	
		77.63
Balance on hand, January 1, 1944		$35.34

INSURANCE FUND ACCOUNT

Balance on hand, Jaunary 1, 1943		$3,561.38
Interest received from income on Stocks & Bonds held for insurance and repair account		473.00
Interest on deposit in North Easton Savings Bank		89.05
30% Payment on Principal, St. Louis Iron Mountain & So. Ry. 4's—1933		900.00
		$5,023.43
Expenditures:		
Insurance	$170.66	
War Damage	40.00	
Repairs	329.55	
Printing	2.09	
		542.30
Balance on hand, January 1, 1944		$4,481.13

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. FIELD,
Treasurer.

Report of Board of Selectmen

To the Citizens of Easton:

We have the honor to present our report for the year 1943.

This year has been marked by the continued general unrest due to the uncertainties created by the global war which we all know will end victoriously. This war has called for many sacrifices by our citizens, and is being met by them with courage and resoluteness.

Nearly five hundred sons and daughters of Easton are in the various armed services of our country and are serving all over the globe. A great many of our boys have been and presently are in action in the Pacific, Alaskan and Mediterranean theatres of war, whilst many more who have been in the services for varying lengths of time, are fully trained and in readiness to go where ordered.

Whereas the reports of our several departments separately shown give the details of their doings for the year, we will not elaborate further. We wish to say, however, that they have all been hampered by the scarcity of labor and materials.

The continuing of the re-construction of Main Street to the Brockton line will be reserved as a post-war project as the State and County, who participate largely in the cost, have postponed sharing in cost of such work until after the war ends.

Being mindful of the uncertainties of the future and the serious economic condition that we may be faced with in the post-war period, we feel it our duty to call your particular attention to the present financial condition of your town.

A study of the statement of Assets and Liabilities as shown in this report reveals that your town is better prepared financially to meet the future than at any time in its history. The following items are to be considered by the taxpayer in measuring our good fortune in Easton:

As of December, 31, 1943

$63,159.04	Surplus Revenue or Excess & Deficiency Fund ($53,290.39 at close of 1942)
5,071.00	Realized from sale of Real Estate, balance
12,346.80	Memorial Playground Fund
11,345.35	Overlay Reserve Fund
5,758.00	Overlay balances 1942 and 1943
$97,680.18	Equal to $19.54 per $1,000 valuation

Cash in Banks

Checking Accounts	$94,387.12
N. E. Savings Bank	12,346.80
Total	$106,733.92

There was no money borrowed during 1943 to run the town on in anticipation of the taxes and it would seem from the funds presently available in the bank, that it would not be necessary to borrow in 1944.

To the many citizens who have rendered unselfish service in the various functions of the Civilian Defense and Army Airplane Spotting projects we express our thanks in behalf of the citizens of the town. We also wish to express to the members of the Rationing Board our appreciation in behalf of the townspeople for their continued service.

We feel that special thanks be extended to both Elmer L. Randall, the Easton member of the Local Draft Board which meets weekly at North Attleboro, Mass. and to Paul Mitrano, who continues to gratuitously utilize his buses for transportation of our boys to the Induction Centre.

During the year your board has had the finest kind of co-operation from the heads of and employees in all departments under its jurisdiction and to them we extend our thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR W. BALDWIN, Chairman
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,
Selectmen of Easton.

Soldiers' Relief

To the Citizens of Easton:

The following is a case load and financial accounting for this type of assistance:

1	$240.00	
Expenses	35.05	$275.05

World War #2 Allowance

1	$50.00	
2	188.00	238.00
Total		$513.05

Appropriation	$1,000.00
Expended	513.05
Unexpended Balance to Excess and Deficiency	$468.95

Soldiers' Relief Dept.

ALBERT E. WOOD, Agent
EDGAR W. BALDWIN
DENIS C. BROPHY

REPORT OF MATERNAL AND CHILD WELFARE NURSING SERVICE

To the Selectmen of Easton:

We herewith submit the following report of Maternal and Child Welfare Nursing Service.

As is true in all communities during the present crisis, the demand for nursing service and supervision is much greater than ever before. Due to restricted hospital service patients are being sent home much sooner than would have been done a year or two ago. This is true of obstetrical cases as well as post-operative cases. This greatly increases the number of calls which must be made to insure adequate care and supervision of the new mother and her baby. It is now the rule rather than the exception that obstetrical patients are sent home on their 7th or 8th day. This in many cases results in post-partum care to the patient delivered in the hospital as well as to the patient delivered at home.

We have had three home deliveries during the past year, and it means much to these mothers that they be able to obtain the professional care and advice that is so important at this time.

Our preschool work continues to cover that gap in the young child's life between the doctor's close supervision of the baby, and the period when the child enters school. There are many problems arising at the present time for which many mothers welcome the timely suggestions which we are able to offer.

Three very successful Well Baby Conferences were held during 1943. Dr. Clara Waldinger, Pediatrician at the New England Hospital for Women and Children, was the attending physician. Dr. Waldinger comes recommended by the State Department of Public Health. We have also at the conferences, Mrs. Catherine Barker, nutrition worker for the State Department of Public Health. Mrs. Barker is able to fill a very real need for help in bringing solutions to the many war time food problems of the young mother.

Statistical Report

	Cases	Visits
Maternity:		
Antepartum	37	69
Postpartum	53	138
Deliveries	3	
	93	207
Child Welfare:		
New Born	34	160
Infant	61	254
Preschool	129	375
School	4	17
	228	806
Educational:		
Adult	11	127
Unclassified	1	163
	12	290
Totals	333	1303

Respectfully submitted,

CLARABEL A. POWELL, R. N.,
Public Health Nurse.

ELLEN ATWOOD, R. N.,
Staff Nurse.

Report of the Superintendent of Streets

To the Selectmen of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the Street Department for the year 1943.

Upon resuming my duties late in February, after several months absence, I was pleased to find our surfaces in excellent condition after a severe winter and two years of rationed materials. The personnel, ten in number, less than half the pre-war complement, had been diligent in the performance of their work, and well directed.

After the customary spring cleaning of streets, culverts, basins, etc. the patching and retreatment of those streets included in the list approved by Federal Rationing Officials was started. Approximately 47,000 gallons of Tarvia was used for this program.

Again as in 1942 no funds were available from the State and County under Chapter 90 for construction of highways, and none are contemplated for 1944. However, the practice of contributing toward maintenance of Chapter 90 roads is evidently to be continued during the war. In 1943 $700.00 from each of the three sources was available for maintenance and was used to complete the retreatment of that part of Foundry Street from Highland Street south to Norton Avenue. On Foundry Street, from Five Corners easterly to near Greenleaf's Corner all protruding boulders were removed, and about 3500 feet retreated.

A half mile of Allen Road from Bay Road westerly was graded and one application of tar applied. This section will require sealing next season and the remainder of the street should be treated, if material is available, to preserve the work accomplished by the W.P.A. a few years ago.

The Northerly end of South Street from Foundry Street to Poquanticut Avenue was partially excavated, widened, and graveled to a uniform width. Cold weather prevented the application of a binder to this road.

Fences, guard-rails, signs and posts received some repairs and replacements, but much remains to be done in this respect.

The retreatment of tar surfaced streets was as follows: Entire length—Baldwin, Bridge, Williams, Barrows, Day, Hayward, Oakland Avenue, Maple, Pond, Reynolds, King Avenue, Linden, Spooner. In part—Center, Main, Elm, Park, Seaver, Bay Road, Rockland, Depot, Purchase, Turnpike and Central.

Our trucks and equipment are in good condition and sufficient for our present needs. Looking ahead to a post-war era, and a resumption of construction jobs, the department will be in dire need of a power shovel and a much heavier power grader than the out-moded one now in use. This latter machine has served the dual purpose of grader and bull-dozer, and has reached the age and condition where it is no longer good economy to buy replacement parts for it, even if obtainable.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK E. WILBUR,
Superintendent of Streets

Report of the Police Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the report of the Police Department of the Town of Easton for the year ending December 31, 1943.

Report of Arrests Made During the Year

Offense	Female	Male
Arson	1	
Assault and Battery		2
Breaking and entering and larceny	2	5
Breaking and entering with intent to commit larceny		2
Delinquents		4
Drunk		23
Fishing without a license		1
Leaving the scene of an accident		1
Malicious injury to real estate		1
Neglect to provide		4
Non payment of wages		1
Operating so as to endanger		12
Operating under the influence		4
Operating after suspension of license		1
Receiving stolen property		1
Suffering animals to trespass	1	4
Violation of auto laws		95
Violation of probation		1
Total	4	162

Total amount of fines	$1,664.00
Total amount of jail sentences imposed	3 years
Total probation periods	24 years - 9 months

Class 1 dealers' motor vehicle sales reports	161
Individual transfer or sale reports	189
Complaints	839
Investigations	981
Persons reported missing	14
Persons located	14
Summons served from Easton Police	15
Summons served for other police departments	36
Breaks in buildings	12
Messages delivered	49
Doors found open	23
Bicycles reported stolen	7
Bicycles recovered	5
Cars reported stolen	3
Cars recovered	5
Licenses suspended	43
Reports to Registry of Motor Vehicles filed	145
Property reported lost or stolen, total value	$3,112.00
Property recovered, total value	2,652.00
Revolver permits issued	26
Revolver permits issued police	10
Days in District Court	86
Days in Superior Court	20

Patients removed to hospitals in police ambulance:

Relief cases (including accidents)	44	
Private cases	23	
Total		67

Arrests Made by State Police in the Town of Easton from January 1 to December 31, 1943

	Female	Male
Delinquent, larceny of auto		2
Leaving the scene of an accident		2
Operating under the influence		1
Operating so as to endanger		5

Operating without a license		1
Operating improperly		1
Failing to keep to right		1
Drunk		4
Breaking and entering and larceny	1	3
Receiving stolen property	1	1
Violation of parole		1
Total	2	22

Traffic Report

Accidents reported involving personal injury	21
Accidents reported involving property damage	29
Fatal accidents	3
Persons fatally injured	4
Pedestrians involved in accidents	4
Bicyclists involved in accidents	1

Of the above pedestrians injured, one was of school age.

Nearly all of the above accidents involving personal injury occurred in the night time.

During 1944 it is planned to paint white center lines on curves and hills and other such danger spots on our highways. This is planned with the cooperation of the State Traffic engineers office and the Easton highway department.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, and all other town departments and their members, for their kind services rendered this department during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
HERBERT S. BERGLUND,
Chief of Police.

Report of the Fire Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I submit the following report of the activities of the Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1943.

Total number of calls	177
Summary:	
Building fires	23
Chimney fires	24
Brush, grass and dump fires	74
Automobile and truck fires	8
Oil and gasoline flares	6
False and unnecessary	4
Emergency	0
Aid calls to outside towns	1
All others	8
Blackout	5
Permits issued:	
Fire in open air	427
Transportation and use of explosives	10
Storage of fuel and range oil	16

The Department has again had an active year. There has been a slight increase in the number of calls for building and brush fires. Losses from both types of fires have been kept at a minimum. We had unfortunately one incendiary fire this year, which was investigated by proper authorities with my assistance. Results were the arrest of five persons connected with the fire. Although we feel that it was a holiday prank we feel that by proper investigation of such cases we will put a stop to burning property in the Town.

All apparatus at both North Easton and South Easton stations are in good working order. We now have at the North Easton Station an Emergency Truck which answers all calls. This truck is fully equipped to take care of most any kind of emergency call that might come to the station. I wish to thank the boys that helped to make this truck such a success.

Our manpower of course is still handicapped, with the boys in the armed services of our Country and into Defense plants. We are fortunate at the North Easton Station to average twelve men to a call. The South Easton Company are also having better response to their calls. I still do not hesitate to call both Companies to give the property owners protection.

All requests from Civilian Defense Committee have been taken care of promptly. I still maintain an Auxiliary Fire Department, although small, some of the boys have answered alarms with the regulars, and have assisted a great deal in the work. I assure the boys that we appreciate their help. Drills will again be resumed when weather permits. We have taken over all the Easton Report Center calls on the Fire Department phone and I feel that thanks should be extended to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sundell who greatly assist in taking care of these calls.

The fire alarm box has now been installed at the corner of Maple and Seaver Streets. This was accomplished by repairing an old box that we had on hand. Our Fire Alarm system is in good working condition although there are a few parts that will need attention in the near future. I am recommending a new air whistle at the North Easton Station, the present one now causing us some trouble.

I wish to call your attention to the fact that we now have a Receiving and Transmitter Radio Set operating in our station, and a complete set also in the Chief's car. The Station call letters are W.L.D.K. and the Chief's car No. 33. I feel that this will be a great benefit to the Town and department at brush fire season, thus allowing the Fire Towers to be in touch with me in regard to fires in the Town. I wish to extend thanks to the boys that helped complete this task.

The floors at the North Easton Station still require attention. I trust that in the near future something may be done to carry the weight of the present heavy equipment. I urge the extension of the Fire Alarm system to the South Easton Section, at least connecting the two stations.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen for the help they have given me during the year, and again I say for the good work that has been done, thanks to the boys of the Department.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. BAILEY, Chief.

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Selectmen of the Town of Easton:

I herewith submit this consolidated report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures of the Town of Easton for the year ending December 31, 1943.

Scales:

	Adjusted	Sealed
Platform (over 5,000 lbs.)		2
Platform (100 to 5,000 lbs.)	4	21
Counter (under 100 lbs.)	2	14
Beam (under 100 lbs.)	1	2
Spring (100 lbs. or over)	1	4
Spring (under 100 lbs.)	1	6
Computing (under 100 lbs.)	1	17
Computing (over 100 lbs.)	6	20
Personal Weighing		3
Prescription		2

Weights:

Avoirdupois	111
Apothecary	20
Metric	17

Capacity Measures:

Liquid Measures	42
Oil Jars	6
Dry Measures	—

Automatic Measuring Devices:

Gasoline Measuring Pumps	2
Gasoline Measuring Meters	35
Kerosene Measuring Pumps	6
Oil Measuring Pumps	2
Quantity Measures on Pumps	9

Linear Measures:

Yardsticks	2
Measuring Cord Wood	1

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. CHILLINGWORTH,
Sealer of Weights.

Report of the Dog Officer

To the Selectmen of Easton:

Gentlemen:

Following is my report as Dog Officer for Easton for the year ending December 31, 1943.

On August 15, 1943, there was submitted to me a list showing 390 unlicensed dogs located in all sections of the town. The owners or keepers thereof were all contacted and interviewed by me, and in many instances only after repeated visits at their residences, these visits resulted in the license being paid or the dog being disposed of satisfactorily.

During the year 38 stray dogs were picked up, confined, and disposed of, as is provided by law.

There were 15 complaints entered with me for investigation; 21 lost dogs reported, and 15 lost dogs returned to owners.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. CHILLINGWORTH,
Dog Officer.

Report of the Inspector of Animals

To the Selectmen of Easton:

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1943.

During the year the inspection of cattle and the conditions under which they were kept was not required by the Department of Agriculture but at the time of a milk shortage investigations of all milking cows was made and a report sent to the Department of Agriculture also all other duties required were to continue, investigating all reports of contagious diseases of domestic animals and all animals that come in from out of State for dairy purposes.

Respectfully submitted,
J. CLINTON GOWARD,
Inspector of Animals.

Report of Superintendent of Moth Work

To the Selectmen of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the work of the Moth Department for the year 1943.

At the time of writing this report, much of the town has been covered in the creosote work, only the west and south outlying sections and woods remaining. Two woodland colonies have been located, one at Lincoln Street and Bay Road section, and the other on Washington Street south from the Green. The residential section is showing a scattered infestation, with no really serious locations.

As in the Tree Department, I secured from City Forester Briggs of Taunton three of the same men I had for tree work, for the creosoting. For spraying I was able to hire only one man for four days, one for three, and one for one day. Mr. Wilbur loaned me one man from the Highway Department for three weeks. The remainder was done without other help. Both weather and traffic conditions were favorable, and nearly the usual amount of spraying was done.

Three large colonies of oak canker worm were sprayed, and showed no further feeding. Tent caterpillar, fall web worm, walnut gall and willow beetle were found only in small numbers, and brown-tail moth not at all. No satin moth or Japanese beetle were found.

The truck and sprayer are both in fair condition, and should require only minor repairs.

For a detailed account of expenses, see the Town Accountant's report.

Appropriation	$2500.00
Expended	2387.41
Balance	$ 112.59
Requested for 1944	$2500.00

Respectfully submitted,

ROSCOE W. MELENDY,
Supt. of Moth Work.

Report of the Tree Warden

To the Citizens of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the work of the Tree Department for the year 1943.

Due to shortage of help, I was obliged to go out of town for men, and secured a crew of experienced men from City Forester Briggs of Taunton. While a higher rate per hour was paid these men, a saving was made in that no insurance was required, and it was not necessary to purchase tools, they furnishing their own equipment. Also a saving in oil, gas and rubber resulted, as only one truck was on the road at one time. This I drove myself, saving expense of truck driver. The men were expert rope climbers, and accomplished more work. We were able to do the usual work, and keep within the appropriation.

Twenty-four trees were removed, three of these having been posted in 1942. Seven elms on Pond street were removed, on order of the Selectmen. The remainder were dead or nearly so.

The usual removal of dead wood and traffic limbs was done on all the streets of the town. Several trees were bolted, and many cavities treated. Another dry season is taking a heavy toll of our trees.

A new maple wilt, caused by climatic conditions, appeared this year, with very serious results to many of the maples, both Rock and Norway. Some trees were entirely killed, as were many branches of others. As with the old maple wilt, there is no known control at this writing.

Very few elm leaf beetle appeared, a few trees along the State highway showing feeding during the late run of the larvae. Two locations were defoliated by elm canker worm, and these were sprayed. The Dutch elm disease is slowly working east in Massachusetts, and it is desirable to keep a close watch of all elms. Notify the Tree Warden at the first sign of wilted leaves.

The usual spraying was done in conjunction with the moth work.

No trees were planted, and I asked for none this year, believing it not advisable under present conditions, but many trees are needed to replace those taken out, and in locations where property owners have requested plantings.

I would again suggest that the Prudential Committee of the North Easton Village District confer with the Tree Warden, as soon as they know what sidewalks are to be built, if any, in order that we may avoid the unnecessary expense that was incurred on Pond Street of removing trees after the sidewalk was built.

There was no trimming by the wire companies, except for new construction, and none was requested.

The estimate for 1944 is difficult. There are many trees that are becoming old and dangerous and may have to be removed at any time, and we do not know as yet just what to expect from the new maple wilt, or what the labor conditions will be. The amount requested for 1944 is the same as for last year.

For a detailed account of expenses, see the Town Accountant's report.

Appropriation	$2600.00
Expended	2582.10
Balance	$ 17.90
Requested for 1944	$2600.00

Respectfully submitted,
ROSCOE W. MELENDY,
Tree Warden.

List of Jurors

Anderson, Paul A. H., Reynolds St.	Steamfitter
Anderson, Wendell G., Depot St.	Salesman
Barrett, Daniel, Sheridan St.	Chauffeur
Benson, C. Edwin, Columbus Ave.	Guard
Brady, Christopher J., Massapoag Ave.	Office Worker
Brophy, James T., Depot St.	Machinist
Brown, Clifton, Poquanticut Ave.	Farmer
Carlson, Conrad, Linden St.	Machinist
Carr, Charles C., Washington St.	Sign Painter
Craig, George H., North Main St.	Shovel Worker
Cushing, William H., Turnpike St.	Mechanic
Dahlborg, Joseph N., Jenny Lind St.	Shoeworker
DeWitt, Robert O., Sheridan St.	Salesman
Durfee, Norman O., Poquanticut Ave.	Investigator
Eastwood, Edwin H., Center St.	Poultry Farmer
Erving, Russell M., Foundry St.	Bus Driver
Farrow, John L., Poquanticut Ave.	Ice Dealer
Fernandez, John, Lincoln St.	Foreman
Gibbs, Stanley J., Main St.	Shovel Worker
Harrold, Elmer C., Center St.	Electrician
Harvey, Andrew P., Poquanticut Ave.	Bookkeeper
Healey, James H., Seaver St.	Mail Carrier
Heath, Harold J., Depot St.	Foreman
Hickey, J. Vincent., Pine St.	Insurance
Holmes, Ralph E., Central St.	Foreman
Humphrey, George E., Washington St.	Retired
Huntress, Alton E., Water St.	Mechanic
Jackson, Arthur W., Washington St.	Salesman
Johnson, E. Reinhold, Jenny Lind St.	Accountant
Lawson, Charles A., Maple St.	Machinist
Langley, Raphael H., Central St.	Mechanic
Lomer, Edward A., Washington St.	Farmer

Lundgren, Roy A., Main St.	Clerk
Mahoney, John M., Columbus Ave.	Shoeworker
Marshall, William G., Elm St.	Dairy Farmer
Mason, Lewis R., Depot St.	Salesman
McCann, Archibald S., Sheridan St.	Telephone
McNamara, Francis J., Short St.	Mechanic
McNamara, Roger A., Depot St.	Mech. Engineer
Nordbeck, Hilton, Bay St.	Carpenter
Noyes, Everard D., Williams St.	Contractor
O'Connor, John F., Bay St.	Dairy Farmer
Reardon, Francis J., Lincoln St.	Truckman
Rice, Warren S., Washington St.	Storekeeper
Robbins, Eliot C., Poquanticut Ave.	Truckman
Rohdin, Edgar H., Bay and Foundry Sts.	Storekeeper
Skinner, Leslie A., Washingtn St.	Manufacturer
Stokinger, John W. H., Bay St.	Retired
Sundell, Harry J. D., Main St.	Gas Station
Swanson, Magnus B., Center St.	Manufacturer
Sweeney, James F., Center St.	Shipping Clerk
Talbot, Bernard J., Jr., Howard St.	Truckman
Varnum, Algernon B., Jenny Lind St.	Salesman
Wilbur, Frank E., Center St.	Highway Supt.
Wright, Samuel E., Jr., Norton Ave.	Farmer

Approved,

EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
ALBERT E. WOOD,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
Selectmen of Easton.

Report of the Board of Health

To the Citizens of the Town of Easton:

The number of disease dangerous to the public health reported in the year 1943 was one hundred seventy-one, as follows:

Chicken Pox, twenty-six; Measles, twenty-one; German Measles, eighty-nine; Whooping Cough, eleven; Mumps, one; Scarlet Fever, five; Lobar Pneumonia, one; Pulmonary Tuberculosis, two; Undulant Fever, two; Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis, one; Dog Bite, twelve.

In 1943 there were no deaths from reportable diseases. The total number of deaths of Easton residents was seventy-eight, a death rate of 15.2 per thousand, based on a population of 5135, the federal census figures of 1940. Of the deaths, thirty-five were males, and forty-three females.

The number of births was ninety-six, a birth rate of 18.7 per thousand. Of these, fifty-one were males and forty-five females. There was one pair of twins. Ten children were born at home, and eighty-six in hospitals.

As usual, the greatest expense was on account of Tuberculosis. During the year, there were three patients at the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital, and one at the Lakeville State Sanitorium. One patient was aided at home part of the year.

The Diphtheria Immunization Clinic was conducted as usual, and no case of Diphtheria occurred during the year.

Monthly tests by the Inspector of Milk showed that the milk produced and sold in Easton is clean and of good quality.

Licenses issued by the board in effect in 1943 were as follows: Milk licenses and permits, one hundred forty-two; Oleomargarine licenses, eight; Pasteurizaztion licenses, two; garbage collectors' licenses, four; permits to keep swine, seventeen; manicure and massage licenses, five; manufacture of non-alcoholic beverages, one; slaughtering license, one.

There were fifty-three burial permits issued.

The appropriation for 1943 was $3000.000, and expenditures $2739.62, leaving a balance of $260.38. Receipts of the board for the year amounted to $736.70, which was turned in to the general fund.

We append the reports of the Milk Inspector, the Inspectors of Slaughtering, and the report of the Diphtheria Immunization Clinic.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID J. O'CONNELL,
ROBERT B. PORTER,
CORA M. HENNIGAR,
Board of Health.

Report of Diphtheria Immunization Clinic

To the Board of Health of Easton:

The Schick tests performed in the autumn on fifty-seven children who received Diphtheria Toxoid in 1942 showed only three positive reactions, which is an excellent record.

This year Diphtheria Toxoid was given without untoward results to fifty-one children, a smaller number than in most previous years.

It gives me pleasure to commend the constantly efficient assistance of Miss Murch and Miss McFadden, and the able help of Miss Phyllis Broman, Miss Thelma Grahn and Miss Myrtle Martin.

ROBERT B. PORTER, M. D.

Report of the Milk Inspector

David J. O'Connell, Chairman,
Board of Health of Easton.

Dear Sir:

The following is the report of the Milk Inspector for the year 1943, this being the twenty-first in a series of annual reports by me.

During the year sixty-nine samples of milk were collected and tested for the percentage of butterfat, solids not fat, total solids and sediment, and plated for bacterial count.

Twenty-six farms on which two or more cows were kept were inspected, and the herd, barn, milkroom and utensils scored, according to the official score-card of the Massachusetts Milk Regulation Board. Several of these farms required more than one inspection. After prescribed conditions were met, these farms were approved for certificates of registration.

Licenses issued to stores for the sale of oleomargarine numbered eight, milk licenses for vehicles numbered seventeen, and store licenses twenty-three.

With increased difficulty of employing farm labor due to the more attractive wages paid in defense industries, there is an increased need of constant oversight of conditions at the source of production. Short cuts and lack of attention to details of sanitation on the farms can only result in an increased bacteria count and greater hazard to consumer health. In most cases the producers in Easton have been using care in producing a safe and a quality product.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO J. FITZPATRICK,
Inspector of Milk.

Report of Inspectors of Slaughtering

To the Board of Health of Easton:

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1943.

During the year a total of two hundred fifty-three head were slaughtered, consisting of one hundred sixty-eight cows, sixty-six calves and nineteen pigs.

Respectfully submitted,
J. CLINTON GOWARD,
Inspector of Slaughtering.

To the Board of Health of Easton:

The following is my report as Inspector of Slaughtering in 1943.

I have inspected and passed one hundred ninety-nine hogs, one hundred three calves, fifty-four cows, ten bulls, and eight steers; total, three hundred seventy-four animals.

These inspections were made by me from the month of August through December.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE CARR,
Inspector of Slaughtering.

Report of Board of Public Welfare

To the Citizens of Easton:

General Relief

The following detailed report of temporary aid grants to our less fortunate citizens indicate that our people as a whole have been well employed and self-sustaining during the year, and the number of distress cases and cost thereof has reached the lowest point since the Civil War.

To summarize, there are two cases presently being aided in Easton, there are two cases in other cities and towns at Easton's expense, and two cases being provided for by Easton at the Middleboro Infirmary, making a total of six.

The outstanding item for aid to citizens of other cities and towns is the amount of $1012.19 due from the City of Boston, and in due course will be collected.

Welfare Costs

	Cases	
Easton Settled, Residing in Easton	5	$1,110.76
Easton Settled, Residing in Other Cities and Towns	5	1,182.61
Settled in Other Cities, Residing in Easton	1	1,012.19
Middleboro Infirmary Cases	2	891.90
Total Relief Granted	13	$4,197.46

Agent's Salary	$720.00	
Office Supplies	10.74	
Telephone and Tolls	43.61	
Traveling Expenses (including auto maintenance)	73.58	
Insurance	23.88	
Servicing Typewriter	12.00	
All Other Expense	2.00	
Total Administration Expenses		885.81
Total		$5,083.27

SUMMARY

Appropriation	$7,500.00
Expended	5,083.27
Unexpended	$2,416.73

Welfare Receipts

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$386.00
Cities and Towns	538.74
Total Receipts	$924.74

SUMMARY

Appropriation	$7,500.00
Welfare Total Costs	5,083.27
Unexpended	$2,416.73
Receipts	924.74
Unexpended Balance and Receipts to Excess and Deficiency	$3,341.47

EASTON SETTLED CASES RESIDING IN EASTON

1	Closed 12-31-43 (Transferred to O.A.A.)	$622.35
2		307.41
3	Closed (Hospital Bill Only)	135.00
4	Closed 2-1-43	10.00
5	Closed 3-15-43	36.00
	Total	$1,110.76

Total 5 Cases during year
4 Cases closed during year
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1 Case open end of year

SETTLED IN OTHER CITIES, RESIDING IN EASTON

1	$1,012.19

Total 1 Case open end of year

EASTON SETTLED, RESIDING IN OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS

1		$399.50
2	Closed 7-1-43	14.00
3	Closed 7-30-43	334.42
4		287.00
5	Closed 12-15-43	147.69
	Total	$1,182.61

Total 5 Cases during year
3 Cases closed during year
—
2 Cases open end of year

MIDDLEBORO INFIRMARY

1		$461.55
2		430.35
	Total	$891.90

Purchases as follows have been made from merchants at the choice of recipients:

First National Stores	$725.00
McCarthy Coal Co.	89.10
Swift Bros.	87.00
Wm. T. Knapp & Sons	73.35
Edwin O. Nystrom	52.50
Brant Rock Pharmacy, Inc.	13.95
Malloy's Store	8.99
Total	$1,049.89

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT E. WOOD, Chairman
EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
Board of Public Welfare.

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent.

Report of Aid To Dependent Children

To the Citizens of Easton:

The following is a case load and financial accounting of this type of assistance:

	Cases	Children
January 1, 1943	10	33
Added during the year	0	0
Total	10	33
Closed during year	5	16
Cases open end of year	5	17

Aid to Dependent Children Expenditures

Cases	Children	
10	33	$4,294.00

Aid to Dependent Children Receipts

Federal Grant Balance Jan. 1, 1943	$2,592.20
Federal Grants received during 1943	1,952.50
State Grants Jan. 1, 1942 - June 1, 1943	3,258.23
Total Receipts	$7,802.93

Summary

Appropriation for 1943	$4,000.00
Federal Balance Jan. 1, 1943	2,592.20
Federal Grants during 1943	1,952.50
State Grants, Jan. 1, 1942 - June 1, 1943	3,258.23
	$11,802.93
Paid to Recipients	4,294.00
	$7,508.93

Unexpended Town Appropriation	$1,436.50	
State Grants	3,258.23	
Transfer to Excess and Deficiency		4,694.73
Federal Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1943		$2,814.20

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT E. WOOD, Chairman
EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
Board of Public Welfare.

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent.

Report of the Bureau of Old Age Assistance

To the Citizens of Easton:

During the year there has been many changes in the law and multitudes of directives were issued affecting the administration of this type of assistance, all causing a great deal of clerical work, much discussion and a great deal of confusion, not only in our office but also in the minds of recipients and their children.

The budgetary standards were revised by the State Department to meet rise in current living costs and made effective as of September 8th. On this date the law became effective regarding the support of parents by their legally liable children which required a personal visitation at the home of every recipient, and contact with every affected son or daughter by correspondence or in person.

The law imposes a penalty on a town which does not carry out its provisions relative to bringing legal action against sons and daughters who do not comply.

Your board is granting adequate assistance in every case basing same on the approved State Budgetary Standards.

The cost to the town has increased materially due to budgetary changes and in spite of the much lowered case load during the year.

Following is a statement setting forth case load particulars and facts concerning receipts and expenditures:

Applications received during 1943	17
Old Age Asistance Granted	17

Old Age Assistance Easton Cases active Jan. 1, 1943	158
Old Age Assistance Cases added during year	17
Old Age Assistance Cases, Easton Settled, residing in Other Cities and Towns	18
Total Old Age Assistance Cases for 1943	193
Cases closed during year	46
Total Cases end of year	147

Old Age Assistance Expenditures

Direct payments to recipients	$57,143.61
Indirect Payments: Burials, Hospital, etc.	321.79
Paid Other Cities and Towns	1,278.61
Agent's Salary	720.00
Total Cost	$59,464.01

Old Age Assistance Receipts

Federal Grant Balance, Jan. 1, 1943	$22,032.37
Federal Grants received during 1943	26,963.55
State Grants, July 1, 1942 - Sept. 1, 1943	24,996.51
Other Cities and Towns	761.45
Total Receipts	$74,753.88

Summary

Appropriation for 1943		$34,000.00
Federal Balance Jan. 1, 1943		22,032.37
Federal Grants during 1943		26,963.55
State Grants July 1, 1942 - Sept. 1, 1943		24,996.51
Other Cities and Towns		761.45
		$108,753.88
Total Cost		59,464.01
		$49,289.87
Unexpended Town Appropriation	$26.02	
Cities and Towns	761.45	
State Grants	24,996.51	
To Excess and Deficiency		25,783.98
Balance Federal Grant on hand Dec. 31, 1943		$23,505.89

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT E. WOOD, Chairman
EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
Bureau of Old Age Assistance.

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent.

Report of the Town Accountant

I have examined the books of the Town Clerk, Town and Tax Collector, and Town Treasurer, also the various Trust Funds, and find all these to be correct.

The expenditures, appropriations, receipts and accounts receivable are shown on the following pages.

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Accountant.

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$6,865.00
Selectmen	$1,300.00	
Board of Public Welfare	1,600.00	
Board of Health	300.00	
Assessors	1,299.96	
Town Clerk	800.00	
Tax Collector	960.00	
Town Treasurer	480.00	
Moderator	25.00	
		6,764.96
Unexpended Balance		$100.04

TOWN OFFICE

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$875.00
Rent	$750.00	
Light	49.09	
Supplies	21.80	
Insurance	4.82	
		825.71
Unexpended Balance		$49.29

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$300.00
Books and Forms	$65.05	
Transportation, Meals, etc.	160.97	
Telephone	34.30	
Association Dues	9.00	
		269.32
Unexpended Balance		$30.68

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S SALARY

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$800.00
Stanley F. Rice, Salary	800.00
Unexpended Balance	.00

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$75.00
Books, Forms and Postage	59.14
Unexpended Balance	$15.86

TOWN TREASURER'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$1,075.00
Assistant	$300.00	
Surety Bond	116.50	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	55.61	
Insurance	30.00	
Repairs—Office Machinery	14.75	
Storage Vault	72.00	
Tax Possessions	306.68	
Transportation, etc.	22.35	
		917.89
Unexpended		$157.11

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$1,400.00
Assistant	$700.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	365.06	
Surety Bond	234.00	
Advertising Tax Takings	15.00	
Deputy Collector's Expense	47.00	
All Other Expense	13.40	
		1,374.46
Unexpended Balance		$25.54

ASSESSOR'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$685.00
Clerk	$400.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	104.57	
Transportation	80.00	
Transcript of Deeds	39.44	
Rent of Adding Machine	10.00	
Moving Office Furniture	3.00	
Telephone	44.85	
		681.86
Unexpended Balance		$3.14

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$500.00
Assistant	$300.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	60.64	
Surety Bond	7.00	
Telephone	51.20	
		418.84
Unexpended Balance		$81.16

LEGAL SERVICES

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$600.00
Richard J. Hatchfield, Services		600.00
Unexpended Balance		.00

ELECTION EXPENSE

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$325.00
Election Officers	$170.50	
Police at Polls	19.80	
Janitor Service	15.00	
Posting Warrants	8.00	
Printing and Supplies	59.25	
		272.55
Unexpended Balance		$52.45

REGISTRAR'S SALARIES

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$225.00
Sigrid V. Ledin	$75.00	
Luther E. Swift	75.00	
John J. Galvin	75.00	
		225.00
Unexpended Balance		.00

REGISTRATION EXPENSE

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$450.00
Mary E. Wade	$95.00	
John J. Mahoney	74.00	
Clifton C. Ripley	71.94	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	102.64	
All Other Expense	4.70	
		348.28
Unexpended Balance		$101.72

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$8,813.00
Herbert S. Berglund, Chief	$2,381.40	
Herbert S. Berglund, Keeper of Lockup	100.00	
John Chillingworth	1,453.80	
Joel Johnson	129.00	
Thomas Maloney	994.50	
George Pierson	1,890.00	
Ernest Weir	238.20	
Gas and Oil	440.50	
Auto Repairs and Maintenance	454.80	
Equipment	53.55	
Telephone	157.34	
Fuel and Light	204.74	
Buildings and Grounds	84.05	
Insurance	39.45	
Printing and Postage	16.44	
All Other Expense	171.68	
		8,809.45
Unexpended Balance		$3.55

POLICE CAR RADIO

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$500.00
Receiving Set	226.50
Balance Carried Forward to Jan. 1, 1944	$273.50

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$8,885.00
Arthur W. Bailey, Chief	$750.00	
Harold E. Anderson	117.50	
Harold A. Anderson	119.50	
Paul Anderson	45.83	

Daniel Barrett	109.25
Henry Baxter	184.92
Donald Bellows	120.00
Raymond Buck	172.63
James Buckley	112.75
Laurence Burnham	.50
Kenneth Cantwell	113.75
Roland Carlson	106.00
Oscar Concession	1.00
Robert Day	139.33
Franklin Drew	134.75
Henry Drew	257.67
George Field	173.33
William Flynn	244.00
William Furlong	125.00
Frank Heal	36.83
C. Dwight Hill	107.00
Lennart Hilmer	34.33
Joseph Kelley	113.00
Joseph Lordan	1.50
William Lordan	127.05
Edward Lyons	112.50
Wallace McCann	1.50
Winslow Macdonald	.50
John Maguire	112.75
John Mahoney	224.00
Richard Maliff	139.00
Lawrence Mann	.50
Richard Meade	16.67
Frank Mitrano	86.84
William Murphy	25.00
John McNamara	.50
Brian Nolan	.50
Roger Nichols	3.00
Fred Ricker	116.50
George Stone	115.75
Alvin Straight	119.00

Forrest Straight	20.84	
Harry Sundell	163.75	
Martin Swanson	83.00	
Arthur Tufts	116.75	
Ralph Tufts	104.75	
Philip Wilde	283.75	
Vernon Willis	86.67	
George Wood	3.25	
William Yaskonis	3.00	
Fire Alarm Maintenance	150.34	
Allowance for use of Car	150.00	
Apparatus and Supplies	953.23	
Gas and Oil	253.37	
Repairs	194.19	
Fuel	487.75	
Light and Power	222.98	
Building Maintenance and Supplies	204.55	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	25.52	
Telephone	199.29	
Insurance	156.20	
All Other Expense	18.08	
		8,403.19
Unexpended Balance		$481.81

RENT OF FIRE STATION

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$4,800.00
North Easton Village District	4,800.00
Unexpended Balance	.00

DOG OFFICER

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$200.00
John Chillingworth	200.00
Unexpended Balance	.00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$500.00
John Chillingworth, Services and Transportation	448.85	
Equipment	36.53	
Insurance	12.10	
		497.48
Unexpended Balance		$2.52

MOTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$2,500.00
Roscoe Melendy	$967.40	
James Brophy	9.60	
Fred Ricker	4.20	
Rocco Salerno	20.80	
Vernon Willis	78.40	
Eldon Pratt	10.40	
Forrest Straight	16.80	
Gas, Oil and Auto Repairs	261.49	
Equipment	21.20	
Insecticides	432.75	
Insurance	108.60	
H. M. Briggs, Moth Work	457.00	
		2,388.64
Unexpended Balance		$111.36

TREE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$2,600.00
Roscoe Melendy	$550.80	
Vernon Willis	16.80	
Gas, Oil and Repairs	22.71	

Insecticides	155.52	
Insurance	126.92	
H. M. Briggs, Tree Work	1,709.35	
		2,582.10
Unexpended Balance		$17.90

SALARY OF FOREST WARDEN

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$300.00
Arthur W. Bailey	300.00
Unexpended Balance	.00

LAND FOR TOWN DUMP

Balance January 1, 1943	$400.00
Amount Expended	.00
Balance January 1, 1944	$400.00

EMERGENCY DEFENSE ACCOUNT

Appropriation March 1, 1943			$1,250.00
Report Center:			
Lights	$17.40		
Telephone	80.74		
Printing and Postage	52.54		
Equipment	43.40		
Rent of Films	56.00		
		250.08	
Auxiliary Firemen:			
Badges and Arm Bands		9.83	
First Aid and Medical:			
Telephone		32.53	

Observation Tower:			
Construction and Repairs	$189.16		
Telephone	9.26		
		198.42	
Rationing Board:			
Clerk (extra)	$269.09		
Office Supplies and Printing	76.86		
Typewriter Rental	48.00		
Telephone	62.72		
Light	42.80		
Transportation, Meals, etc.	42.00		
		541.47	
Emergency Defense Truck:			
Insurance and Registration		25.26	
			1,057.59
Unexpended Balance			$192.41

INSPECTION OF ANIMALS

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$100.00
J. Clinton Goward, Services	100.00
Unexpended Balance	.00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$3,000.00
Winifred Cunningham, Clerk	$150.00	
Telephone	15.44	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	103.98	
Transportation and Expense	51.39	

Tuberculosis—Board and Treatment	1,039.70	
Tuberculosis—All Other Expense	207.15	
Birth and Death Returns	16.25	
Care of Dump	378.15	
James H. Healey, Inspector	5.00	
Daniel T. Healey, Inspector	150.00	
Anti-Rabic Treatments	32.15	
Burying Dogs	8.00	
Beverage Fees to Dept. of Public Health	10.00	
Services of Constable	6.50	
Inspector of Slaughtering	243.00	
Dr. Robert B. Porter, Diphtheria Clinic	64.65	
Brant Rock Pharmacy, Supplies	16.79	
Transportation to Clinic	43.20	
Inspector of Milk	175.00	
Supplies for Milk Inspector	23.27	
		2,739.62
Unexpended Balance		$260.38

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$11,500.00
Ames H'way Fund Income, Balance Jan. 1, 1943	2,257.02
Ames Highway Fund Income 1943	18,972.48
	$32,729.50
Transferred to Chapter 90 Maintenance	700.00
Available Funds	$32,029.50

Frank E. Wilbur	$1,890.00
Thomas C. Brophy	1,456.80
Carl Erickson	2,056.95
Ellie Gibbs	774.55
Raphael Langley	2,037.91
John Lewis	1,264.91
William Lorden	1,229.48

Eldon Pratt	1,386.70
Edwin Sandgren	1,023.11
Albert Smith	1,305.21
Chester Styren	1,405.60
Vernon Willis	593.40
George Anderson	16.00
Roy Benson	4.00
Ray Carlson	4.00
Robert Dimond	5.60
Robert Fernandez	8.50
August Freitas	16.00
Joseph Freitas	11.00
Vernon Gustafson	4.25
John Harlow	11.50
Henry Hart	28.50
Carleton Hatchfield	20.00
Walter Healey	6.25
Thomas Kent	4.25
Harold Keyes	8.50
Daniel Lyons	7.00
Charles MacLeod	7.50
John MacNeil	15.75
John McNamara	12.00
Lawrence Mann	7.00
Alexander Murray	33.60
Brian Nolan	24.50
Noran Pierson	12.00
John Pires	4.25
Earl Rogers	4.00
George Smith	78.55
Frank Washburn	2.60
William Yaskonis	20.00
Telephone	108.55
Printing and Supplies	36.29
Barn—Light and Power	46.78
Traffic Lights	320.34
Machine Equipment	789.13

Road Equipment (Brooms, Small Tools, etc.)	450.62	
Maintenance and Repairs	2,032.57	
Stone and Gravel	231.36	
Gas and Oil	1,123.36	
Lumber, Cement, etc.	537.75	
Tarvia	5,775.71	
Snow—Equipment and Repairs	490.91	
Snow Removal—Horses and Trucks	494.93	
Snow Removal—Gas and Oil	248.35	
Snow Removal—Salt	72.00	
Garage Rental	300.00	
Water	10.00	
Dynamite Bond	30.00	
Surveys and Maps	7.00	
Coal and Kerosene	235.47	
Insurance	997.95	
All Other Expense	10.12	
		31,150.91

Ames Highway Fund Income Balance Carried Forward to January 1, 1944	$878.59

HIGHWAY—CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Transferred from Highway Appropriation	$700.00
Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts	699.81
Received from County of Bristol	699.81
	$2,099.62

Thomas Brophy	$93.13
Carl Erickson	51.35
Raphael Langley	118.76
John Lewis	41.31
William Lorden	41.31
Eldon Pratt	37.84

Edwin Sandgren	71.53	
Albert Smith	84.53	
Chester Styren	34.78	
Vernon Willis	40.13	
Tarvia	637.83	
Stone	554.13	
Use of Machinery	292.80	
		2,099.43
Unexpended Balance		.19

PUBLIC WELFARE

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$7,500.00
Amount Expended	5,083.27
Unexpended Balance	$2,416.73

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—**Town Funds**

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$34,000.00
Amount Expended	33,973.98
Unexpended Balance	$26.02

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—**Federal Funds**

Balance January 1, 1943	$22,032.37
United States Grant	26,963.55
	$48,995.92
Amount Expended	25,490.03
Balance carried forward to Jan. 1, 1944	$23,505.89

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION—

Town Funds

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$300.00
Office Machinery and Supplies	$111.18	
Stamped Envelopes	60.84	
		172.02
Unexpended Balance		$127.98

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION—

Federal Funds

Balance January 1, 1943		$586.59
United States Grant		896.37
		$1,482.96
Investigator	$200.00	
Social Service Index	15.50	
Clerical Service	68.00	
Equipment	164.77	
Typewriter Maintenance	27.40	
Office Supplies	133.54	
Travel Expense	211.88	
Postage and Stamped Envelopes	166.34	
		987.43
Balance carried forward to Jan. 1. 1944		$495.53

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN—**Town Funds**

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$4,000.00
Amount Expended	2,563.50
Unexpended Balance	$1,436.50

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN—**Federal Funds**

Balance January 1, 1943	$2,592.20
United States Grant	1,952.50
	$4,544.70
Amount Expended	1,730.50
Balance carried forward to Jan. 1, 1944	$2,814.20

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION—**Town Funds**

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$100.00
Stamped Envelopes	11.52
Unexpended Balance	$88.48

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION—**Federal Funds**

Balance January 1, 1943	$182.80
United States Grant	121.29
	$304.09
Clerical Services	16.00
Balance carried forward to Jan. 1, 1944	$288.09

TOWN PHYSICIAN

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$800.00
Dr. W. M. Stevenson	800.00
Unexpended Balance	.00

CHILD WELFARE AND PRE-SCHOOL NURSING

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$600.00
Ellen Atwood	$300.00	
Clarabel Powell	300.00	
		600.00
Unexpended Balance		.00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$1,000.00
Amount Expended	513.05
Unexpended Balance	$486.95

FINANCE COMMITTEE EXPENSE

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$25.00
Association Dues	$10.00	
Forms	2.14	
		12.14
Unexpended Balance		$12.86

INCIDENTALS

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$100.00
Insurance—Band Stand	$6.78	
Expense re: Property Transfer	12.53	
		19.31
Unexpended Balance		$80.69

MEMORIAL AND ARMISTICE DAY

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$375.00
Music	$169.00	
Transportation	45.00	
Flags, Markers and Wreaths	95.75	
Refreshments	39.17	
Postage and Stationery	4.00	
		352.92
Unexpended Balance		$22.08

PENSIONS

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$991.00
Charles S. Coldwell	$491.00	
Carl G. Jansen	500.00	
		991.00
Unexpended Balance		.00

TOWN REPORTS

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$635.10
Advertising for Bids	$6.00	
Printing and Binding	584.10	
Delivering Reports	45.00	
		635.10
Unexpended Balance		.00

CEMETERIES AND GRASS PLOTS

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$500.00
Income from Cemetery Funds	408.58
	$908.58

John Chillingworth	$255.15	
James Canty	30.50	
Walter Holmes	48.00	
Winslow Macdonald	19.00	
Thomas Maloney	24.90	
George Pierson	106.80	
John Lewis	34.45	
Edwin Sandgren	31.20	
R. W. Jones	20.00	
Equipment and Repairs	102.12	
Auto Expense	89.24	
Cement and Loam	8.00	
Insurance	34.70	
Wreath	5.00	
Special Payments from Cemetery Funds:		
Furnace Village Cemetery Corp.	7.05	
Pine Grove Cemetery Corp.	47.29	
Immaculate Conception Church	5.02	
Heman Howard, Treasurer	7.54	
		875.96
Unexpended Balance		$32.62

INTEREST ON NOTES

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$225.00
Amount Expended	.00
Unexpended Balance	$225.00

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation March 1, 1943	$3,000.00
Transfers	.00
Balance transferred to Overlay Reserve	$3,000.00

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 1, 1943		$95,550.56
Ames Fund Income Balance Jan. 1, 1943		962.44
Ames Fund Income 1943		14,787.54
		$111,300.54
Less Transfer to Bond Account		8,000.00
Available Funds		$103,300.54
Teachers' Salaries:		
Gilbert C. Mann	$3,493.28	
Gilman H. Campbell	3,180.00	
Esther L. Anderson	1.576.64	
Monica Beaton	1,580.25	
Marietta Canan	1,640.00	
Anna C. Craig	1,700.00	
Margaret C. Dineen	903.00	
Evelyn Foster	1,060.22	
Ruth G. Grant	1,445.75	
Kathryn E. Healey	1,693.28	
Hazel Huston	1,534.50	
Adelaide W. Johnson	1,519.56	
Pauline Lyons	1,182.02	
Charles E. MacLeod	716.04	
John C. Mason	2,228.00	
Barbara Nickerson	1,586.64	
Hazel E. Prescott	633.28	
Beth S. Smith	1,698.78	
Peter J. Sperandio	1,976.72	
Clement S. Spillane	2,176.72	
Gladys T. Thomas	1,520.00	
Johanna G. McFadden	2,100.00	
Ruby L. Barrows	1,500.00	
Louise E. Canegaly	1,500.00	
Ruth E. Ganyard	435.00	
Olive Gurney	311.25	

Raakel Hamalainen	1,061.00
Mary V. Harvey	1,500.00
Doris W. Leach	195.99
Grace P. Mills	1,435.50
Mildred J. O'Connor	1,500.00
Virginia T. Stackpole	572.75
Hazel M. Williamson	1,153.75
Anabelle P. Newman	1,470.04
Florence H. O'Leary	1,426.50
Juliet Sell	336.00
Florence M. Harris	1,550.42
Lucille L. Marvill	1,130.78
Dorothy E. Sherman	1,326.64
Ethelyn Cowperthwaite	1,405.66
Anna R. Veilleux	1,153.75
Viola M. Geddes	1,500.00
Edith V. Goff	1,500.00
Mrs. Roger Heath	13.50
Mrs. Gilman H. Campbell	5.50
Mrs. Charles MacLeod	22.00
Doris J. Berube	210.00
Catherine M. Dennen	1,136.68
Marion Fitzpatrick	63.00
Muriel DeWitt	154.00
Irene E. Hatchfield	45.00
Almyra Hayward	172.25
Loretta Healey	752.50
Astrid Larson	438.30
Mrs. Gilbert C. Mann	4.50
Leon A. Regan	125.00
Mrs. Leon A. Regan	22.00
Mary C. Regan	728.00
Christine Reynolds	66.00
Helen G. Roberts	1,260.00
Velma Stillson	685.00
Ellen M. Timms	960.00
Paul F. Whitten	110.00

Fred Jones	2.20	
Myron Thomas	12.30	
Louis Surrey	17.70	
Kathryn Goeres	10.50	
		68,125.64
Janitors' Wages:		
Alfred H. Dahlborg	$1,666.22	
Charles Malloy	1,426.26	
Hjalmar Johnson	652.67	
Archibald Smith	1,379.32	
Clifton C. Ripley	1,328.15	
Everett A. Dunn	624.96	
Carrie M. Simth	350.04	
George M. Buck	324.96	
Donald Henderson	1.40	
Roy Jennings	1.40	
Arthur Nystrom, Jr.	9.00	
		7,764.38
Dr. Robert Porter, School Physician		605.00
Dr. Jacob Brenner, Football		20.00
Grace M. Murch, School Nurse		1,733.50
Marilyn E. Boulette, Clerk		529.54
Mildred L. Thatcher, Clerk		358.59
Lucille A. Malanchuck, Clerk		250.00
Supervisor of Attendance		100.08
Office Expense and Telephone		193.35
Superintendent's Traveling Expense		249.96
Textbooks		1,570.18
Supplies		2,640.49
Fuel		4,815.04
Janitors' Supplies		903.94
Water		176.18
Electricity		1,113.77
Miscellaneous School Plant		243.17
Repairs		2,542.23

Furniture and Furnishings	203.99
Library	132.48
Transportation of Nurse	275.00
Health Supplies	28.12
Transportation	6,273.80
Tuition	151.60
General Expense Sundries	192.78
Graduation	92.74
Insurance	1,582.83
Permanent Improvement	38.00
New Equipment	388.12
	$103.294.50

Ames School Fund Balance:

Carried forward to January 1, 1944	$6.04

DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE

DOG OFFICER

City of Bristol, Reimbursement	$144.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Reimbursement for Damages to Fire Alarm Box	$50.00
Reimbursement for Cost of Fires (without permits)	23.50
	$73.50

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Comomnwealth of Massachusetts:		
Tuberculosis Subsidy	$449.29	
Reimbursement for Aid	165.76	
County of Bristol:		
Reimbursements on Dog Bite Cases	32.15	
Slaughtering License	25.00	
Pasteurization Licenses	20.00	
Milk Licenses	20.50	
Oleomargarine Licenses	4.00	
Beverage License—Simpson Spring Co.	20.00	
		$736.70

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Plowing Snow	$154.00	
Rent of Machinery	102.10	
		$256.10

INCIDENTALS

Sale of Town Hall Settees	$37.50	
Sale of History of Easton	5.00	
Rent of Pyper Property	140.00	
Licenses	2,414.00	
		$2,596.50

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$24,996.51	
City of Brockton	493.44	
City of Worcester	35.83	
Town of Billerica	93.37	
Town of East Bridgewater	74.00	
Town of Stoughton	3.33	
Town of Wakefield	38.00	
Sundry Persons	23.48	
		$25,757.96

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Commonwealth of Massachusetts		$3,258.23

PUBLIC WELFARE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$386.00	
City of Brockton	40.00	
City of Boston	498.74	
		$924.74

POLICE DEPARTMENT

First District Court of Bristol:		
Fines	$1,419.80	
Revolver Permits	13.00	
Ambulance Hire	85.50	
		$1,518.30

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Tuition and Transportation	$4,401.26	
Town of Stoughton—Tuition	36.06	
City of Boston—Tuition	85.02	
H. A. Richards—Tuition	60.68	
J. LaFontaine—Tuition	26.50	
L. Mathis—Tuition	30.00	
Rent of Hall	13.00	
Supplies Sold, Mimeograph Work, etc.	104.60	
		$4,757.12

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Fees	$58.29

TAX COLLECTOR

Fees	$466.84

TOWN CLERK

Fees	$483.45

TREE DEPARTMENT

Labor	$20.50

EMERGENCY DEFENSE

Reimbursement for Telephone in Observation Tower	$20.39

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Police Department:	
Sundry Persons—Ambulance Hire	$47.00
Health Department:	
Sundry Persons	301.00
Public Welfare:	
City of Boston	1,012.19

Aid to Dependent Children:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$624.36	
United States Grants	229.00	
Total Aid to Dependent Children		853.36
Old Age Assistance:		
Town of Billerica	$9.00	
Town of East Bridgewater	49.05	
Town of Stoneham	12.00	
Town of Stoughton	23.67	
Town of Wakefield	44.00	
City of Attleboro	46.00	
City of Brockton	267.66	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	7,020.12	
United States Grants	4,211.75	
Total Old Age Assistance		11,683.25
World War #2 Allowance:		
Commonwealth of Macsashusetts		238.00
Total Accounts Receivable		**$14,134.80**

Equal to $2.827 per $1000 of Valuation

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Accountant.

BALANCE SHEET — December 31, 1943

ASSETS

Cash:		
General	$94,387.12	
Special Playground Fund	12,346.80	
		$106,733.92
Accounts Receivable:		
Town Tax:		
Levy of 1942	$3,386.16	
Levy of 1943	17,153.85	
		20,540.01
Motor Vehicle Levy of 1943		215.97
Town Tax Titles		2,051.27
Town Tax Possessions		331.95
Departmental Accounts Receivable:		
Police (ambulance service)	$47.00	
Health (sundry)	301.00	
Welfare (cities and towns)	1,012.19	
A.D.C. (Federal and State)	853.36	
O.A.A. (cities and towns)	451.38	
O.A.A. (Federal and State)	11,231.87	
World War #2 Allowance (State)	238.00	
		14,134.80
County Tax (underestimate)		992.14
		$145,000.06

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Road Machinery Fund		$1,905.13
Playground Fund		12,346.80
Ames Highway Fund Income		878.59
Ames School Fund Income		6.04
Proceeds from Sale of Real Estate		5,071.00
Reserved for Town Dump Purchase		400.00
Reserved for Police Car Radio Purchase		273.50
Proceeds from Dog Licenses (due County)		12.60
State Parks and Reservations (overestimate)		6.31
Federal Grant Balances:		
Old Age Assistance	$23,505.89	
Old Age Assistance Adm.	495.53	
Aid to Dependent Children	2,814.20	
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	288.09	
		27,103.71
Overlay Reserve		11,345.35
Overlay for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1942	$2,775.30	
Levy of 1943	2,982.70	
		5,758.00
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	$215.97	
Town Tax Titles	2,051.27	
Town Tax Possessons	331.95	
Departmental	14,134.80	
		16,733.99
Surplus Revenue in Excess and Deficiency Account, Equal to $12,632 per $1000 of Val.		63,159.04
		$145,000.06

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$67,000.00	School Loan	$67,000.00

DISTRICT ACCOUNTS

Accounts Receivable:		Revenue Pledged to Districts When Collected:	
North Easton District Taxes	$253.59	North Easton District Taxes	$253.59
North Easton District Tax Titles	25.07	North Easton District Tax Titles	25.07
S. Easton and Eastondale District Taxes	158.83	S. Easton and Eastondale District Taxes	158.83
S. Easton and Eastondale District Tax Titles	2.40	S. Easton and Eastondale District Tax Titles	2.40
S. Easton and Eastondale District Tax Possessions	3.50	S. Easton and Eastondale District Tax Possessions	3.50
S. Easton and Eastondale District Water Liens	32.99	S. Easton and Eastondale District Water Liens	32.99
Unionville District Taxes	209.02	Unionville District Taxes	209.02
Unionville District Tax Titles	22.28	Unionville District Tax Titles	22.28
Easton Center District Taxes	288.50	Easton Center District Taxes	288.50
Easton Center District Tax Possessions	9.10	Easton Center District Tax Possessions	9.10
	$1,005.28		$1,005.28

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Accountant.

Report of the Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee submits, herewith, its annual report.

During the past year, our committee has operated without the services of three of its most valued members.

Last July, this entire community was saddened by the sudden, tragic death, by accident, of Mr. E. Carlton Hayward. In his untimely passing, this town has lost a useful public servant and his family, to whom we extend our sincere sympathy, a devoted husband and father.

Mr. F. Ellis White has moved to California. He was a member of this committee for many years and at one time served as its secretary. He was always constructive in his suggestions and was vitally interested in any activity that would make this community a better place in which to live.

Mr. Martin E. Reynolds, for many years a faithful attendant at all meetings of this committee, has been unable to participate in any of our deliberations, because of illness. We know that all townspeople join in wishing for him a complete recovery.

The remaining members have been attentive to their obligations and attendance at meetings has been excellent.

Our recommendations for the several appropriations necessary for the maintenance of our Town Government, are listed elsewhere in this report. The budgets of the various departments have been studied in detail; we have conferred several times with the Heads of Departments and our estimates have been made after very careful consideration of the facts presented to us. In all cases, it has been our endeavor to allot sums which allow for the proper operation of all departments and still keep within the financial ability of the average taxpayer.

The following items seem worthy of special comment:

Election Expense

The usual appropriation for a Presidential year is $825.00, which is $500.00 higher than last year's appropriation. This year, in addition to the Town Election, there will be Presidential Primaries, State Primaries, State and National Elections.

Fire Department

This department requested $9,880.00, which is $995.00 more than last year's appropriation and $1,476.81 more than actual expenditures. After making due allowance for extra expenses, such as additional hose and a new whistle at the North Easton Fire Station, we felt that certain non-recurring items in last year's budget, could be eliminated from this year's estimate. We, therefore, recommend $9,300.00, which is $580.00 less than requested.

Interest on Notes

Last year, $225.00 was appropriated but because of the excellent financial condition of the town, no money was borrowed in anticipation of revenue. We are, therefore, recommending only $100.00 this year.

Road Department

This department's requested appropriation from the town is $3,200.00 higher than last year, most of which is contained in these three items: There was $1,363.00 less in the Ames Fund Balance on December 31, 1943; $1,000.00 more is requested for additional labor and $725.00 for increased purchases of Tarvia. As we felt that every effort should be made to keep the roads in first-class condition, we are recommending the amount requested.

Registrar of Voters' Expense

The usual appropriation for a Presidential year, is $500.00, which is $50.00 more than last year.

Schools

This department's requested appropriation is $8,850.44 more than last year's figure. Of this, $5,000.00 is to provide further "cost of living" increases of $100.00 each to all teachers including the Superintendent, Principal, Nurse, Clerk and full-time janitors. This is in addition to the $100.00 "cost of living" increases granted at last year's town meeting.

Beyond this, $2,674.00 additional is required to take care of teachers' increments and certain adjustments in salaries.

Transportation is estimated at $408.00 more and there is $956.40 less available in the Ames Fund balance carried over from 1943.

Other items in the School Department budget more or less offset each other.

Election vs. Appointment of Finance Committee

Three articles in this year's town warrant (#18, 20 and 21) refer to this somewhat controversial matter. It would, perhaps, be unethical for this committee to make a recommendation but we offer for you consideration, the following extracts from a letter written by a former town official when this question was raised a few years ago:

> "Up to 1906, the Finance Committee was appointed by the Moderator, which was the usual practice. At a Special Meeting on May 22, 1906, the Town voted that a Finance Committee of fifteen be added to the list of town officers placed on the official ballot. The practice has continued from that time. It is true that Chapter 39, section 16, calls for a by-law to provide for the appointment, not election, of the Committee. It may be a good time to correct this situation but personally, I think the voters like to control the Committee."

Town Warrant

Your committee acts as follows on the articles in the Town Warrant having to do with Finance:

Article 1. No recommendation required.

Article 2. See the Budget.

Article 3. We recommend that the sum of $200.00 be allocated for this purpose.

Article 4. We recommend that the sum of $375.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

Article 5. We recommend the adoption of this article.

Article 6. We recommend that a sum not to exceed $15,000.00 be used for this purpose.

Article 7. We recommend that a sum of $1,300.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

Article 8. We recommend that the sum of $1,000.00 be raised an dappropriated for thus purpose.

Article 9. We recommend the adoption of this article if Chapter 90 work is continued.

Article 10. We recommend the adoption of this article if Chapter 90 work is continued.

Article 11. We recommend the adoption of this article if Chapter 90 work is continued.

Article 12. We recommend that the sum of $500.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

Article 13. We recommend the adoption of this article.

Article 14. We recommend the adoption of this article.

Article 15. We recommend the adoption of this article.

Article 16. We recommend the adoption of this article.

Article 17. We recommend the adoption of this article.

Articles 18, 20 and 21. Please refer to comments in the body of this report relative to these three articles.

Article 19. We recommend that a committee of five be appointed by the moderator to look into the advisability of the town adopting some method for the collection and disposal of garbage and report back at the next town meeting, either regular or special.

Article 22. No recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH CONNOLLY, Chairman,
WILLIS G. BUCK, Secretary,
WALFRED J. G. BROMAN,
EDGAR A. CRAIG,
HARRIS A. DeWITT,
HERMAN HALVARSON,
JOHN B. HOWARD,
DANIEL L. KENT,
NEUBERT B. MORSE,
MARTIN E. REYNOLDS,
ROBERT G. WATT,
CLARKE L. WILCOX,
MYRON F. WILLIAMS,

Finance Committee,
Town of Easton.

TOWN OF EASTON—BUDGET FOR TOWN MEETING, 1944

Account	Appropriated 1943		Expended 1943	Requested 1944	Committee Recommends 1944
Assessor's Expense	$685.00		681.86	725.00	700.00
Aid to Dependent Children	4,000.00	A	4,294.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Aid to Dependent Children—Adm.	100.00	B	27.52	100.00	100.00
Care of Cemeteries	500.00	C	875.96	500.00	500.00
Dog Officer	200.00		200.00	200.00	200.00
Election Expense	325.00		272.55	825.00	825.00
Emergency Fund	*3,000.00		—	*3,000.00	*3,000.00
Finance Committee Expense	25.00		12.14	25.00	25.00
Fire Department	8,885.00		8,403.19	9,880.00	9,300.00
Forest Warden Salary	300.00		300.00	300.00	300.00
Health Department	3,000.00		2,739.62	3,000.00	3,000.00
Hire of Nurses	600.00		600.00	600.00	600.00
Inspector of Animals	100.00		100.00	100.00	100.00
Interest on Notes	225.00		—	225.00	100.00
Incidentals	100.00		19.31	100.00	100.00
Legal Expense	600.00		600.00	600.00	600.00
Moth Department	2,500.00		2,388.64	2,500.00	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	34,000.00	D	59,464.01	36,000.00	36,000.00
Old Age Assistance—Adm.	300.00	E	1,159.45	300.00	300.00
Pensions	991.00		991.00	991.00	991.00
Police Department	8,813.00		8,809.45	8,916.40	8,916.40
Public Welfare	7,500.00		5,083.27	6,500.00	6,500.00
Road Department	11,500.00	F	33,250.34	14,700.00	14,700.00

Account	Appropriated 1943		Expended 1943	Requested 1944	Committee Recommends 1944
Registrars of Voters—Expense	450.00		348.28	500.00	500.00
Registrars of Voters—Salary	225.00		225.00	225.00	225.00
Rent of Town Offices	875.00		825.71	875.00	875.00
Rent of Fire Station	**4,800.00		**4,800.00	None	None
Schools	95,550.56	G	103,294.50	104,401.00	104,401.00
Sealers of Weights and Measures	500.00		497.48	500.00	500.00
Selectmen's Expense	300.00		269.32	300.00	300.00
Soldiers' Relief	1,000.00		513.05	1,000.00	1,000.00
Tax Collector's Expense	1,400.00		1,374.46	1,400.00	1,400.00
Town Accountant's Salary	800.00		800.00	800.00	800.00
Town Accountant's Expense	75.00		59.14	75.00	75.00
Town Clerk's Expense	500.00		418.84	500.00	500.00
Town Officers' Salaries	6,865.00		6,764.96	6,865.00	6,865.00
Town Physician	800.00		800.00	800.00	800.00
Town Reports	635.10		635.10	as invoiced	
Town Treasurer's Expense	1,075.00		917.89	1,075.00	1,075.00
Tree Department	2,600.00		2,582.10	2,600.00	2,600.00
Sub total	$198,899.66		$255,398.14	$212,503.40	$211,773.40
ARTICLES IN TOWN WARRANT:					
Memorial Day and Armistice Day	$375.00		$352.92	$375.00	$375.00
Emergency Defense Fund	1,250.00		1,057.59	500.00	500.00
Police Radio	500.00		226.50	None	None
Police Auto	None		None	1,300.00	1,300.00
World War #2 Allowance	None		None	1,000.00	1,000.00

Amount Raised and Appropriated	$201,024.66	————	$215,678.40	$214,948.40
Appropriated from "Overlay Reserve"	3,000.00	————	3,000.00	3,000.00
Appropriated from "Proceeds from Sales of Real Estate	4,800.00	————	————	————
Total	$208,824.66	$257,035.15	$218,678.40	$217,948.40

A.	$1,730.50	Federal Grant
B.	16.00	Federal Grant
C.	408.58	Cemetery Fund—Interest
D.	25,490.03	Federal Grant
E.	987.43	Federal Grant
F.	20,350.72	Ames Fund
	1,399.62	From County and State
G.	7,743.94	Ames Fund

*Appropriated from Overlay Reserve Account

**Appropriated from Proceeds from Sales of Real Estate Account

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

1944

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Easton in the County of Bristol, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium in said Easton on Monday, the sixth day of March, next, at 8:00 o'clock P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see of the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Town Accountant, Tree Warden and any committee of the Town and take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Welfare or the Board of Old Age Assistance to appoint one of their members to the position of investigator and to determine his compensation to be paid from grant of Federal Aid.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day and Armistice Day to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, George S. Shepard Post No. 7, American Legion, and George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial Year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use from surplus revenue to reduce the tax levy for the current year.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new Police car, the car now in use to be turned in as part of the purchase price, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for payments of War Allowances World War #2 or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from monies raised and appropriated for highway purposes, such sums as may be necessary for maintenance, improvement and construction of streets within the Town, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County for the purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Road Machinery Fund to which shall be credited all receipts received from the use or rental of road machinery, the proceeds to be appropriated as voted by the Town for road machinery purposes; or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, or authorize the Selectmen to allocate an amount from the appropriation for highways, to establish a Road Machinery Account for the purpose of repairing and operating road machinery; or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for a fund to be known as the Emergency Defense Fund to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen for the purpose of defraying the cost and expenses which may be incurred in order to secure such equipment and facilities as may be deemed necessary to protect the interest of the Town because of the present National Emergency.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey the land and buildings thereon, known as the Pyper Property, located on the westerly side of Purchase Street, or take any other action relative to the disposition of the same.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept as laid out by the Selectmen, a portion of Main Street at or near the corner of Elm Street, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept as laid out by the Selectmen, a portion of Depot Street at or near the corner of Pine Street, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept as laid out by the Selectmen, a portion of Turnpike Street at or near the corner of Depot Street, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell and convey, for a sufficient consideration, whatever interest the Town may have in those parcels of land purchased for the Town at a low value sale held on December 21 and 22, 1943, a deed for which has been duly recorded at the Bristol County, Northern District, Registry of Deeds.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to petition the General Court for the enactment of an act whereby the Town may provide by by-law for the election of an appropriation, advisory or finance committee under section sixteen of Chapter thirty-nine of the General Laws, said act to further provide that all acts done by all such committees heretofore elected by the Town shall be confirmed and made valid to the same extent as if this act had been in effect at the time of the election of said committee, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the collection of garbage in the Town of Easton and for the disposal thereof, and to authorize the Board of Health, for and in behalf of the Town, to advertise for bids and to award a contract for such purpose to the lowest responsible bidder, said bidder to be required to furnish a performance bond. (By petition.)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 1 of Article 2 of the By-Laws of the Town so as Section 1 of Article 2 of said By-Laws will read as follows: "There shall be a Finance Committee of fifteen members, which committee shall be appointed as provided in the following section known as Section 1-a of Article 2 of the By-Laws of the Town." (By petition.)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to insert the following Section 1 of Article 2 of the By-Laws of the Town the following new section to be known as Section 1-a of Article 2: "Section 1-a: Following the adoption and approval of this By-Law, the Moderator shall appoint from the citizens of the Town five members whose term of office shall expire at the adjournment of the annual town meeting of 1945; five members whose term of office shall expire at the adjournment of the annual town meeting of 1946; and five members whose term of office shall expire at the adjournment of the annual town meeting of 1947 and at each annual meeting hereafter the Moderator thereof shall appoint five members to said Finance Committee to serve for the term of three years. The terms of said members shall expire at the close or final adjournment of the annual town meeting at which their successors are appointed." (By petition.)

ARTICLE 22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton, qualified to vote in elections residing in Precinct One, to meet at the Furnace Village School; those residing in Precinct Two, to meet at the Ames Memorial Hall; and those residing in Precinct Three, to meet at the South Easton School House, on Monday, the 13th day of March next at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes all on one ballot for one member of the Board of Assessors, for a term of three years; two members of the Board of Health, one for a term of one year and one for a term of three years; and one member of the School Committee for a term of one year and two members for a term of three years; Moderator, three Selectmen, three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Tree Warden, and a Finance Committee of fifteen, all for a term of one year. The Polls will be open at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each meeting house and post office in said Town, and one at the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting, and said Town Clerk is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Warden or Deputy Warden at the time and place of holding said meeting for the election of officers, and said Warden is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Town Clerk, together with his return of officers elected at the close of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 14th day of February in the year nineteen hundred and forty-four.

EDGAR W. BALDWIN,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,

Selectmen of Easton.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

and the Fifty-eighth from the office of the

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

of the

TOWN OF EASTON

MASSACHUSETTS

1725

For the Year Ending December 31

1943

Annual Report of the School Committee

To the citizens of Easton:

The School Committee herewith submits the one hundred and sixteenth annual report.

School Transportation

In our report of a year ago we called attention to regulations of the Office of Defense Transportation setting up limitations on school bus operations. All special trips, such as transporting athletic teams by school bus, are prohibited. Our committee put into effect last February curtailments which included operating a single trip instead of two trips mornings from the Poquanticut district to North Easton, running the Unionville bus only to Elm Street instead of to Union Street and running the two Eastondale trips (one for high school pupils and one for elementary pupils) only to Alger's Corner instead of to the Hockomock Dairy, so called. Later, under Office of Defense Transportation compulsion, we were required to eliminate the side trips from Prospect Street to the old Howard schoolhouse, and from the intersection of Rockland Street to the intersection of Summer Street on Bay Road. The trip for pupils attending Furnace Village School, which was run via Highland Street, South Street, Foundry Street and Bay Road was eliminated, and the trip for high school pupils formerly starting at the Easton Post Office and running by way of Foundry Street, Highland Street, Bay Road and Depot Street was curtailed by starting it at the Five Corners. We were able to save the trip from the monument at Easton Center to the South Easton School only on the grounds that additional traffic to and from

Camp Standish made it hazardous for children to walk to school.

The curtailments have necessarily gone farther than we would like to have them and we trust that they are only temporary. They have resulted in only minor financial savings.

Repairs to Buildings

Conditions as they exist at present are not favorable to an extensive building repair program. It is difficult to get the labor, and costs of both labor and material are high. However, some repair items cannot be postponed.

In recent years, expenditures for repairs on school buildings and grounds have been chiefly of two types,—(1) repairs to building exteriors, such as roofs, repointing brick walls and painting woodwork, and (2) the innumerable minor repairs to plumbing, heating plants, furniture, electrical equipment, and so on, which must be made to preserve and operate efficiently the school plants. A third type of repair work,—the painting and redecorating of the classrooms and corridors of our buildings,—has been badly neglected. Funds were provided in last year's budget to redecorate seven classrooms and certain auxiliary rooms, and specifications were prepared and bids advertised for on this work. Only one bid was received, and the figures in this bid were so high that it was decided to postpone this type of repair work until conditions are more favorable. Part of the money originally planned for this purpose was used for roof repairs, and part for miscellaneous minor repairs.

None of the sixteen classrooms, the three assembly halls and the various auxiliary rooms built in 1930, with the exception of two toilet rooms, has been redecorated since that time. Many of our older classrooms have not been refinished in the same period. By next summer these rooms will have gone 14 years without having been repainted. In a few instances repairs to paint on walls where moisture penetration caused injury have been made, but these were patching jobs and did not affect ceilings and the three walls of the rooms not exposed to this sort of damage.

In 1943 the two largest repair jobs were the repointing of brickwork on the east wall of the original part of the High School building, at a cost of $408.40, and repairs to the flat roof of the High School, at a cost of $296.55. All other expenditures for repairs were for items of a relatively minor nature. About $90 was expended in replacing worn window shades.

The following table shows the distribution by schools of expenditures for repairs and for replacement of furniture and furnishings:

School	Repairs	Furniture and Furnishings
Junior-Senior High School	$1,376.08	$ 184.90
North Easton Grammar School	367.27	9.38
South Easton School	190.03	8.19
Eastondale School	224.44	.34
Furnace Village School	89.33	.50
Unionville School	148.19	.34
Poquanticut School	146.89	.34
Total	$ 2,542.23	$ 203.99

Our plans for 1944 call for a minimum expenditure for repairs. In agreement with the Finance Committee, we have deferred repair work in order to prevent a greater increase in the total budget. Repairs to the flat roofs at the North Easton Grammar School and painting the exterior of the Paquanticut School, plus the numerous minor repairs to furniture, plumbing, heating systems, electrical and other equipment, constitute our total repair program for 1944. We are thus allowing to accumulate a great deal of repair work, especially to building interiors, for the time when labor will be more plentiful and the quality of materials better, than is the case today.

For a number of years George A. Anderson served as school carpenter, working during the school vacations and at other times as needed. He was an energetic and capable worker, and had become so familiar with the problems of school repairs that he could handle them with a minimum of expense to the town. Just as he was beginning his summer repair work he was taken ill and never worked again. He died later in the summer. It is with extreme regret and a sense of loss, both personal and economic, that we record here the passing of a master workman.

Death of Wilfred P. Keith

The community was shocked to hear of the sudden death, on October 25, of Wilfred P. Keith, an able and valued member of the School Committee since March, 1936. The following resolutions on his passing were spread on the permanent records of the School Committee, and a copy was sent to his family:

> "With deep sorrow the School Committee of the Town of Easton records the death on October 25, 1943, of Wilfred P. Keith, since 1936 a member of the Committee, and extends heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Keith and the other members of his

family. During his nearly eight years of public service as a member of this Committee he took a most active part in its deliberations and responsibilities. He consistently, courageously and ably worked for the best interests of the public schools and of the young people enrolled therein. He was proud of his native town and its schools, and he maintained unusually close and sympathetic contact with its young men,—a relationship which enhanced his value as a School Board member.

"Be it RESOLVED, That these resolutions be spread on the records of the School Committee, and a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the family.

"School Committee of Easton,

(Signed) ARTHUR F. ANDERSON,
ALICE K. BRIGGS,
ROGER A. McNAMARA,
HORACE H. MITCHELL."

Edgar W. Watts New Board Member

On November 15 a joint meeting of the members of the School Committee and the Board of Selectmen was held for the purpose of choosing a successor to the late Wilfred P. Keith, in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth. Edgar W. Watts of Elm Street was proposed for the office and unanimously elected to serve until the next annual election.

Salaries of School Employees

A year ago the salary committee of the Easton Teachers' Club petitioned for a flat $200 salary increase for all teachers. Our Committee included funds in the budget for $100 per teacher for those receiving $1600 or less, and $50 per teacher for those receiving more than $1600 per year. The Finance Committee recommended $50 per teacher, regardless of present salary. At the annual town meeting it was finally voted to grant a $100 increase to all teachers. Other school employees were also given raises on the same basis, part time employees receiving increases in proportion to the fractional part of full time service for which they are employed.

Recently the Committee has received a second request for salary raises for teachers. This request also came from the salary committee of the Teachers' Club, and called for flat raises of $200 per teacher. Our committee, while feeling that increases of $200 are larger than can be granted, is inclined to be sympathetic toward a request for further salary raises. We take this stand because we know that the welfare of the children in the schools requires it. Our concern is for the children rather more than for the teachers.

The National Education Association reports that since Pearl Harbor some 200,000 teachers over the country have left the schools for more remunerative work. This source also reports that the teachers' colleges of the nation—the main source of new teachers—have only about 40 percent of their pre-war enrollment. The draining of experienced teachers into other lines of activity, together with a dwindling supply of new teachers, is setting up a condition whereby capable teachers in smaller school systems, such as Easton's, are gravitating toward the better paid positions in larger communities. It is becoming especially difficult for us to fill satisfactorily positions in our outlying schools.

During the last two years we have had 20 resignations from our teaching staff. This has meant that twenty new teachers, out of a staff of 43, have had to be hired and fitted into the town school system. Quite often it is one of our outstanding teachers who is lured away by another town. Working conditions for teachers in Easton appear to be satisfactory and as a rule they like teaching here. However, salary increases commensurate with the increased costs of living, or at least comparable to increases granted in other towns of similar size, are necessary to prevent excessive raiding of our teaching staff by other school systems.

The question will quite properly be asked as to how salaries paid in Easton compare with those paid in other towns. Information regarding maximum salaries is at hand for a number of towns in this vicinity. In elementary schools, due to recent increases, salary maximums exceeding Easton's are paid in nearby towns by the amounts indicated: Stoughton, $150; Canton, $200; Abington, $250; Somerset, $200; Franklin, $210; Middleboro, $100; Rockland, $100; Mansfield, $40; Whitman, $200. Salary maximums paid by these towns to women teachers in high school exceed our maximums by about the same amounts. Our maximum for male classroom teachers in high school is exceeded by four of the above towns, equalled by one and is higher than the maximums of four of these towns.

Finances

One of the major problems of a School Committee in times like these is finances. Expenses go up rapidly, necessitating requests for larger appropriations. Every citizen knows from personal experience that the things he requires to operate his home or business cost more than formerly. The same factors influence school costs. Teachers and janitors demand more pay. They can get it elsewhere and many of them will leave if their demands are not met, in part at least. Fuel costs are up about 40 per cent. Repairs cost much more for the same work than formerly. Instructional and maintenance supplies are up proportionately.

The budget which we have prepared for 1944 is the largest in the history of the schools of this town. It cannot be materially reduced without positive damage to our schools, resulting in school offerings inferior to those of other towns. The following figures bolster this statement. These figures were computed from data furnished by the State Department of Education. They show total expenditures per pupil from all sources for school support in 1942 in the four groups comprising the towns and cities of Massachusetts, as well as statewide and local figures.

Group I, Cities	$ 125.99
Group II, Towns of 5,000 population or over	112.48
Group III, Towns under 5,000 population, with high schools	109.92
Group IV, Towns under 5,000 population, without high schools	123.53
Easton	101.71
State of Massachusetts	121.22

Unfortunately the figures for 1943 for the various state groups are not yet available. The 1943 figure for Easton was approximately $106.05 and the 1944 figure, if our budget is approved, will be about $113. From what information is available, increases in costs per pupil for the various state groups will be as great proportionately as these Easton increases.

The details of our 1943 Budget are shown below. The total budget shows an increase over last year of 6.9%. The town appropriation requested is 9.3% higher than the

1943 appropriation. In 1942, a balance from the income of the Oliver Ames School Fund of $962.44 was carried into 1943. Due to unusually heavy expenditures for coal, necessitated by a cold winter in 1943, higher prices and a desire to fill the bins as full as possible because of transportation problems and conditions at the mines, no unexpended balance from this fund was carried into 1944. This explains why the appropriation increase is greater than the increase in the total budget.

	Expended, 1943		Needed, 1944	
General		$1,681.52		$1,750.00
School Committee:				
Office Expense	81.55		100.00	
Telephone	111.80		100.00	
Superintendent's Expense:				
Travelling Expense	249.96		250.00	
Supervisor of Attendance	100.08		100.00	
Clerk	1,138.13		1,200.00	
Salaries of Teachers		68,125.64		75,100.00
Textbooks		1,570.18		1,600.00
Supplies		2,640.49		2,600.00
Operating Expenses		15,016.48		14,972.00
Janitors' Wages	7,764.38		8,295.00	
Fuel	4,815.04		4,430.00	
Janitors' Supplies	903.94		800.00	
Water	176.18		185.00	
Electricity	1,113.77		1,000.00	
Miscellaneous School Plant	243.17		262.00	
Maintenance		2,746.22		1,697.00
Repairs	2,542.23		1,575.00	
Furniture and Furnishings	203.99		122.00	
Library		132.48		125.00
Health		2,661.62		2,905.00
Salary Physician	625.00		725.00	
Salary Nurse	1,733.50		1,850.00	
Transportation	275.00		275.00	
Supplies	21.62		40.00	
Miscellaneous	6.50		15.00	

		Expended, 1943		Needed, 1944
Transportation		6,273.80		6,682.00
Tuition		151.60		250.00
Sundries		1,868.35		1,920.00
General	192.78		170.00	
Graduation	92.74		100.00	
Insurance	1,582.83		1,650.00	
Outlay		426.12		800.00
Permanent Improvement	38.00		150.00	
New Equipment	388.12		650.00	
		$103,294.50		$110.401.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

A. 1943

(1) Appropriation, March, 1943		$ 95,550.56
(2) Receipts, Oliver Ames School Fund:		
Carried from 1942	$ 962.44	
Received in 1943	14,787.54	
	15,749.98	
Less amount applied on Bond Account	8,000.00	
Available for operating expenses		7,749.98
(3) Total available for support of schools		103,300.54
(4) Total expended during 1943		103,294.50
(5) Balance		$ 6.04

B. 1944

(1) Town Appropriation Requested	$104,401.00

(2) Estimated from Oliver Ames School Fund in 1944, after setting aside $8,000.00 for Bond Account	6,000.00
(3) Amount of Total Budget	$110,401.00

C. In 1943 the following sums were received by the town on account of its schools, for the current year, and went into the general fund of the town treasury:

From the State, tuition and transportation of State Wards	$1,918.08
From the State, on account of teachers' salaries	10,298.40
From the State, as reimbursement in part part for tuition paid trade schools	122.48
From the Town of Stoughton, tuition	36.06
From the City of Boston, tuition	85.02
From H. A. Richards, Norton, tuition	60.68
From Joseph LaFontaine, Brockton, tuition	26.50
From Louise Mathis, Brockton, tuition	30.00
From rental of hall	13.00
From supplies sold, mimeograph work, etc.	104.60
Total departmental receipts for 1943	$12,694.82

D. If the above amount could be applied to the 1943 budget, the cost to the town by direct taxes for the year would be $91,706.18 ($104,401.00 minus $12,694.82 equals $91,706.18).

E. In 1943 the following sum was received by the town on account of its schools for the year 1942 and went into the general fund of the town treasury:

From the State, tuition and transportation of State Wards	$2,360.70

Respectfully submitted,

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January 17, 1944

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Easton:

It is a privilege to present in the following pages my annual report as Superintendent of Schools in Easton for the troublous but intensely interesting year 1943. In the entire series of annual reports from this office, none covers a period so full of peril to the American way of life, and so full of anticipation of better things to come, as does this, the fifty-eighth report of the series. In spite of these conditions, the schools have lived a rather sheltered existence during the year. There have been interruptions due to some types of war activities, such as the issuance of war ration books, and there have been breaks in instructional sequences due to changes in teaching personnel which have exceeded normal. Despite fuel shortages we have had no trouble in heating our buildings. The scarcity of critical materials has not interefered with the operation of the schools. Among older high school pupils, the eighteen year old boy has almost entirely disappeared from our enrollment, due to the operation of the selective service system. Some others seventeen and eighteen years old have left school for war work, but this number is relatively small. In general, our schools have succeeded in carrying on during this war year in a manner approaching normal.

In past years we have heard many criticisms of the soundness of our way of life, and especially of the soundness of the educational offerings of the schools and colleges of the nation. Whatever doubts have previously existed have been largely dispelled by the way in which the young people of today have met the challenge to our national security. These young men and women are quietly, and in a dignified way, giving some of the best years of their lives to the service of their country. With too many of them it will be a case of giving up life itself. Their ability and bravery on the field of battle have already surprised an enemy which had counted so heavily on a "decadent democracy." Easton's young people have had their proportionate share in these services and sacrifices. The number of them from Easton who have become commissioned officers has occasioned comment which is entirely to their credit. The schools, their teachers and administrators like to believe that they have had a prominent part in the training of these young people, and they are proud of the way in which their former pupils have arisen to the exacting demands of the times.

Multiple-Grade Versus Single-Grade Rooms

Progressive educational practice has resulted, in most communities, in the closing of small schools,—particularly one-room schools,—and the transporting of the pupils to larger central schools. This trend has been pronounced in this state during the past twenty years. In 1922 there were 755 one-room schools in operation in Massachusetts In 1942 this number had dropped to 176, and of this number 121 were in the towns of less than 5,000 population. The 124 towns and cities of the state having a population of 5,000 or more operate 55 one-room schools, two of which are in Easton. One of these is only one and three-fourths miles from our largest elementary school and the other is three and a half-miles from the large school.

In the middle west and western states, consolidation of schools has taken place to a much greater degree than in the older states of the east. In those sections, transporting children five or ten miles to school is common practice, and distances of fifteen or even twenty miles are not unusual. The safely constructed, well heated and comfortable school bus of today makes such practices possible.

In Easton we are now operating six elementary schools. The number at most should be four. The late Carlon E. Wheeler, superintendent of schools in Easton from 1918 to 1925, maintained that there should be three elementary school centers in the town: one at North Easton, one at Easton Furnace, and one in the Eastondale-South Easton district. Before the new school building at Eastondale was built, the possibilities of adding two or three classrooms to the South Easton School were explored. Two obstacles were encountered: (1) the building did not lend itself structurally to such a plan; (2) the location of the building in the extreme north portion of the district which it would serve made the plan impracticable. On the other hand, the building was too valuable to abandon. We were thus reluctantly obliged to go ahead with plans for a new building at Eastondale. The State Supervisor of Elementary Education, who was called in to consult with us, agreed with our conclusion regarding a new school in that section of the town. Consequently, instead of a six-room unit in the Eastondale-South Easton district, we have, by force of circumstances, two three-room buildings.

We are now operating twenty-one elementary classrooms. Thirteen of these rooms have two or more grades, leaving only eight single grade rooms. All of these single grade rooms are at the North Easton Grammar School. This is a very high percentage of multiple grade rooms.

Last spring I presented a plan for reorganizing our elementary schools so that all our elementary classrooms would be single grade rooms except four. Two of these four would be at the Furnace Village School and would have three grades each. The other two would be at the North Easton Grammar School and would have two grades each. Educationally all elementary pupils would benefit by the change, except at the Furnace Village School, where there would be no change. There would be a reduction of one in the number of teachers, and there would be a small financial saving. Transportation of pupils would be somewhat increased. The plan seems to me especially desirable at this time when we are going through a period of declining elementary school enrollments and a consequent general increase in expenditures per pupil. (Other factors, of course, enter into the present increase in costs per pupil, but reduced enrollments affect some rooms in the smaller schools to such an extent that they are uneconomical to operate).

Specifically the plan called for the following changes:

(1) Close the Poquanticut and Unionville Schools and transport the pupils to the North Easton Grammar School.

(2) Reduce the noon intermission at the North Easton Grammar School to one hour, dismissing afternoon sessions at 3:00 o'clock. Thus Unionville pupils would not have to be dismissed early to get their bus.

(3) Open the vacant room at the North Easton Grammar School and transfer one teacher to that building. Take care of the other teacher from the one-room schools through resignations of other teachers.

(4) Transport 4th, 5th and 6th grade pupils from the Eastondale School to the South Easton School, and 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade pupils from the South Easton School to the Eastondale School, or vice versa. This would result in single grade rooms at both of these schools, thus securing many of the advantages of a single six room building in the South Easton-Eastondale district.

These changes, as previously stated, would reduce the number of elementary classrooms in town having more than one grade from thirteen to four, and increase the number of single grade classrooms from eight to sixteen. Educational advantages from this reorganization may be summarized as follows:

1. Advantages of a large school for Poquanticut and Unionville pupils. Some of these advantages are:

   a. Better teaching where the teacher is able to concentrate her lesson planning and her teaching on a single grade.

   b. Better supervision of teaching and of pupil management, because the building principal is always available and in the building.

   c. Improved pupil effort resulting from the stimulation of working with and competing with larger numbers of pupils in one's own grade.

   d. More time for instruction in the special subjects, such as music, art, penmanship.

   e. Opportunity to participate in auditorium activities.

   f. Improved opportunity for the social development of the child, resulting in improved personality, better ability to get along with others, greater ease in meeting people, greater poise. Development of these traits is as essential as academic achievement for the success of the individual in adult life.

   g. Advantages of special facilities, such as library, visual education materials, instrumental music classes, assembly rooms, etc.

2. Improved school conditions for North Easton children accruing from the reduction of the number of classrooms having two grades in a room at the North Easton Grammar School.

3. An approach to large school advantages for pupils at the South Easton and Eastondale Schools, by making each classroom a single grade room.

4. Positions more attractive to high grade teachers, in the long run, than is the case at present with so many multiple grade rooms. This is especially true under present-day conditions.

The financial picture of this reorganization plan is approximately as follows:

1. Savings:

Janitors' Wages	$675.00	
Fuel	300.00	
Electricity	40.00	
Water	10.00	
Telephones	56.00	
Teacher's salary	1,500.00	
Total		$2,581.00

2. Increased Expenses:

Transportation, Poquanticut District	$180.00	
Transportation, So. Easton and Eastondale section	144.00	
Transportation, Unionville section, additional	150.00	
Electricity for extra room at No. Easton Grammar School	18.00	
		492.00

3. Net financial saving, approximately $2,089.00

While any financial saving is important, the $2,000 reduction in school costs which would result is definitely secondary in importance to the vastly improved educational organization.

Objections commonly advanced to the closing of small schools are:

1. The young child must be away from home all day, thereby losing his chance for a hot meal at noon. (Hot soups and sandwiches are provided at the North Easton Grammar School at 5c each).

2. The child must leave home too early. (Children at the Poquanticut and Unionville Schools would average to leave home a half hour or so earlier than they do under the present set-up. However, pupils at the Unionville School would arrive home in the afternoon about a half hour earlier, and many Poquanticut pupils would arrive home earlier than under the present arrangement).

3. Property values in the neighborhood served by the school will depreciate. (This has not been borne out by experience, as the prospective newcomer in a neighborhood is quite as likely to object to sending his children to a one room neighborhood school with several grades as he is to sending them by bus to a large school two, three or four miles away).

This plan for reducing the number of multiple grade elementary classrooms in the town was presented to the School Committee last June, and was given careful study by the Committee. Representatives of the Unionville, Poquanticut, South Easton and Eastondale districts were asked to meet with the School Committee, in July, to discuss the plan. Unionville and Poquanticut district residents were strongly opposed to the plan. Sentiment in the South Easton-Eastondale district was divided, but a considerable amount of support for the plan developed. Sentiment in other sections of the town was not ascertained.

Because of the objections raised, your Committee voted to continue with our present organization for another school year, and to give the proposed changes further study. In view of the strenuous objections of Unionville and Poquanticut residents to the proposed changes, and since I have no personal stake in them, it would be much easier for me to drop the matter entirely. However, it is my judgment that the reorganization of the elementary schools as outlined would be the most constructive step taken by the School Department since the replacing of the old Junior High School building in 1930.

Curriculum Adjustments

Several changes in the curriculum of the Junior-Senior High School were made, effective when schools opened in September, as a result of war-time conditions. Army authorities and the United States Office of Education have strongly urged high schools to give pre-induction training in the fields of mathematics and science. They also stressed physical fitness programs in high schools.

With the opening of schools last September we inaugurated pre-induction courses in basic mathematics and in the elements of machines. In February a course in elements of electricity will be started. The content of these courses follows the pattern laid down by military authorities. They have value for the seventeen year old boy who will probably be inducted into the armed forces within the next year, and for the girl who will soon enter employment in defense work of a mechanical nature, unless these pupils have followed the four-year sequences in mathematics and science regularly offered.

Physical education has been made a required subject for all junior-senior high school students, except those excused for some physical reason certified to by a physician. A two-hour typing course, in addition to the regular typing courses of the Commercial Department, has been offered for those who wished an elementary knowledge of typing for use in college or after induction. The third and fourth year Latin courses have been dropped from our offerings for the present school year.

In the elementary schools a new course of study in the social studies field was prepared for grades 1 to 4 inclusive by a committee of teachers and put into use in September. An outline for grades 5 and 6 is being prepared during the present school year. These grade outlines are organized on the unit basis, call for certain correlations with other school subjects, and require use of many books and extensive reading rather than intensive study of a single textbook.

Undergoing revision at the present time are the courses of study in English in grades 7 to 12 inclusive, and the outlines for the various courses in the commercial department of the high school.

Educational Credit for Military Experience

A year ago the School Committee took under consideration the question of whether or not to give credit for military training in place of high school work. The problem at that time concerned the boy in the senior class who enlisted or was drafted into military service at about midyear or later. It was voted to allow such cases full credit toward graduation, and diplomas were awarded to seven senior boys who left school in good standing to be inducted and who were in the armed forces when the graduation exercises were held in June.

When the next class became seniors in the fall of 1943, the problem of credit for military service, and of credit for courses taken while in the army or other branch of the service, became somewhat more complicated. There was no desire to lower standards of achievement for which the high school diploma stands, and it was felt that the allowing of a half year's credit for army experience and training did not lower standards, provided all transcripts of records made clear the fact that such credit had been allowed. The school authorities were next faced with requests for credit for specific courses taken while in the army. The School Committee voted to accept credit toward the high school diploma on such courses, and designated the high school principal and the superintendent of schools as a committee of two to evaluate and otherwise handle requests for credit on them.

Fortunately the National Association of Secondary School Principals has made recommendations covering this situation, and it is our intention to be guided by their recommendations. In so doing, the basic training of any student enlisting or drafted into the armed forces will be accredited to him on our high school records as equivalent to one semester of high school work, provided he requests such credit. If he is still short of credits for his high school diploma, each course which he may take which is recognized by the Armed Forces Institute will be evaluated on its individual merit and may be credited toward making up the student's deficiency for a diploma. Under this plan the boy who is drafted, for instance, in November of his senior year still has an opportunity to earn his diploma, provided he is willing to work for it.

Schools and the War

Our schools have operated, since the outbreak of the war, on the assumption that the greatest contribution which they can make to the community, state and nation is to continue to do well the things which they were doing before the war started. The chief objective was and is the developing in our boys and girls of sound ideals of good citizenship. The entire school program should contribute to this objective. Most of our pupils are too young to take a direct part in fighting the war, but they will be old enough, soon, to help in carrying the burdens and in solving the problems which the war has created. Our public schools must be one of the principal agencies,—in fact, probably the chief agency,—in assuring "our country a continuing sound citizenry, possessed of those intellectual, moral and physical resources needed to assure competence to deal with the uncertain future ahead of us."

In addition, the schools have taken on activities which are a more direct contribution toward the winning of the war. Pupils have assisted in salvage drives, collecting among other items some forty tons of paper. Teachers have done the clerical work involved in the issuance of War Ration Books II and IV. The Junior Red Cross has been active in our elementary schools and pupils participated in the Red Cross drive for funds last March. Pre-induction courses have been introduced into the high school curriculum, as previously pointed out. Adjustments in many other courses have been made to develop "air-mindedness" and to "air-condition" our young people to the air age which is expected to follow the close of the war. Increased emphasis on physical education in the junior-senior high school has resulted in requiring every boy and girl to participate, unless excused on the basis of a doctor's certificate. For boys, and especially the older boys, this has meant taking part in an extremely vigorous manner, in order that they may be in as good physical condition as possible when they are inducted. Some of our boys have continued to assist in the manning of the airplane observation post on the high school roof. Provision has been made, as explained previously, for allowing credit for military training and for courses taken while in the armed forces (if recognized by the Armed Forces Institute) by boys who leave school for military service before graduation.

All schools have encouraged pupils to buy war stamps and bonds, and total sales through the schools in 1943 amounted to $13,116.70. Sales in individual schools were as follows: Junior-Senior High School, $4,487.25; North Easton Grammar School, $4,568.00; South Easton School, $754.50; Eastondale School, $1,032.40; Furnace Village School, $1,760.70; Poquanticut School, $250.85; and Unionville School, $263.00. The records of the Furnace Village and Eastondale Schools are particularly outstanding. Several schools have received citations from the Treasury Department.

One bad influence of the war on the schools has been the effect on scholarship and on general school attitude of pupils with outside jobs. Easy money and high wages are not apt to encourage a serious attitude toward scholastic achievement. Again, as Principal Campbell points out, it is difficult, even unreasonable, to expect a boy who works five hours in a factory and an hour or so helping with housework at home, after having spent six hours in school, to give much attention to preparation of his school work at home. Since the high school program requires a minimum one to two hours of home work daily for successful achievement, the bad effect of present conditions is evident. This is not to say that employment outside of school hours is harmful but rather to emphasize that it may be, and frequently is, overdone.

Even more serious, perhaps, is the problem of the working mother. In such cases comparatively young children are left to shift for themselves during the day. Too little sleep, lack of cleanliness, and poorer nutrition are some of the ill effects on pupils noted by teachers, especially by elementary teachers, in cases where both parents are working. The mother of a family of dependent children can best serve her country in the home.

Music

Each year shows a steady growth in interest and accomplishment in music in the schools. The quality of music teaching and achievement is high. A surprisingly enthusiastic boys' chorus has been organized at the North Easton Grammar School, composed of boys from grades 5 and 6. A boys' chorus has also been organized this year in the senior high school, in addition to the girls' group. Both of these projects are attempts to create more interest in singing among the boys.

The growth and development of the orchestra has been encouraging. Not many years ago this organization was not taken very seriously. Last year's group contained a number of seniors, and with their graduation some fear for the 1943-44 orchestra was felt. This year's group, though younger, measures up well to any previous group.

We have four teachers of instrumental music, working under the direction of our music supervisor, who come to Easton each Wednesday morning, meeting elementary and junior-senior high school pupils. These four special teachers handle instruction on reed instruments, percussion instruments, strings, and brasses, respectively. About fifty pupils are enrolled in these groups. They pay personally for the lessons at the rate of thirty cents each. It was intended that the groups should be self-maintaining, but as time went on, the instructors wanted more pay, and the uneven enrollments in the groups resulted in some instructors receiving more than others. The School Committee finally voted to guarantee each instructor a minimum rate, making up any deficit in receipts through payments from the school appropriation. The amount to be used in this way in 1944 amounts to about $150. Many school departments provide this group instruction on musical instruments without charge to pupils, and in that way may reach a higher percentage of the enrollment. However, this plan provides competent instruction at low cost to the pupils and at very little expense to the town. The pupils in these groups are admitted to the orchestra as soon as they are ready. These instrumental groups are the source of our orchestra members, and to a considerable degree make the orchestra possible.

Athletics

At the close of the 1942 football season, interscholastic athletics at the High School were discontinued upon recommendation of the principal and by vote of the School Committee. There seemed to be no other possible course of action, if we were to live up to the spirit as well as the letter of the order of the Office of Defense Transportation. School teams in basketball and baseball were dropped and intramural programs in these sports were substituted. A team was entered, however, in the South Shore basketball tournament in March, which made a creditable showing even though it was eliminated in its first game.

Theoretically intramural athletic competition has greater value than an interscholastic program, because more pupils are given opportunity to benefit by participation and because the pressure for a winning team is not so great. In practice, the intramural program needs to be supplemented by interscholastic competition to keep interest at a high level. This is especially true under present conditions when part-time jobs are plentiful and money is easy to obtain. While our coaches worked faithfully with our intramural groups, the program was not altogether satisfactory. Finally a group of high school boys petitioned the School Committee, through their principal and in person, for the resumption of interscholastic competition. Liberalization of gasoline rationing and some encouragement from army sources for inter-school athletic competition favored the change, and the Committee voted to permit a return to the old program beginning with the 1943 football and field hockey seasons.

Changes in Instructional Personnel

Earlier in this report the statement was made that the schools of the town have succeeded in carrying on during the year in a manner approaching normal. Changes and transfers of members of the teaching staff have been much more numerous than in pre-war times, however. Changes of teachers always disturb the continuity of instruction, especially if the changes occur during the school year, and, other things being equal, cause a loss in the efficiency of classroom work.

Easton school reports issued during and after the first world war have much to say about changes in the teaching staff and report teacher turn-over approaching fifty percent of the staff annually. During each of the past two years we have had ten teachers resign, or a turnover of about twenty-three percent annually. This is considerably in excess of normal, but less, I fear, than the years in the immediate future will bring. This prediction is based on the reported withdrawal of some 200,000 of the country's teachers to enter more remunerative occupations outside the teaching field or to undertake military service, and on the fact that the chief source of supply of new teachers—the teachers' colleges of the country—are enrolling less than half the normal number of students. Practically no young men will be available as replacements for the dwindling supply of teachers, because of the requirements of military service. If this word picture of the teacher situation is a correct one, the importance of doing all that we can to retain our present teachers during the period of teacher shortage is obvious.

During 1943 the following teachers left their Easton positions:

(1) Leon A. Regan, assistant principal of the Junior-Senior High School, who was granted a leave of absence to accept a commission in the United States Army.

(2) Mrs. Loretta Healey, teacher of English and mathematics in grades 7 and 8 of the Junior-Senior High School.

(3) Mrs. Astrid Larson, half time teacher at the North Easton Grammar School.

(4) Doris J. Berube, teacher of French at the Junior-Senior High School, who resigned to be married.

(5) Anna C. Craig, teacher of English at the Junior-Senior High School, who accepted a teaching position in Wellesley.

(6) Mrs. Helen Murray Roberts, teacher of mathematics at the Junior-Senior High School, who has been appointed to the instructional staff of the University of Connecticut.

(7) Mary C. Regan, head of the English department at the Junior-Senior High School, who resigned to be married.

(8) Catherine M. Dennen, head of the High School commercial department, who resigned to accept a position in Wellesley High School.

(9) Mrs. Velma Stillson, fifth grade teacher at the North Easton Grammar School, who resigned to accept a position in the public schools at Braintree.

(10) Miss Ellen Timms, special class teacher at the North Easton Grammar School.

New teachers were employed as follows:

(1) Mrs. Virginia Stackpole, a graduate of Salem State Teachers College, with two years of teaching experience, was engaged as teacher of the special class at the North Easton Grammar School. Mrs. Stackpole formerly taught in Winchenden.

(2) Mrs. Ruth Ganyard, a graduate of the normal training department of Kent (Ohio) University, with six years of teaching experience in that state, was engaged as teacher of grade 5 at the North Easton Grammar School.

(3) Evelyn M. Foster, a graduate of Colby College, with an A.M. degree from Columbia University, was engaged as head of the English Department at the High School. Miss Foster had taught fifteen years before coming to her present position, the last thirteen of which were in the high school at Waterville, Maine.

(4) Hazel Prescott, a graduate of Bates College, with twenty years of teaching experience, was engaged as head of the mathematics department at the High School. For the past ten years Miss Prescott was a teacher in Salem High School.

(5) Mrs. Margaret Dolan Dinneen, who for a number of years before her marriage served as head of the commercial department of Oliver Ames High School, was again elected to the position to succeed Miss Catherine Dennen. Mrs. Dinneen is a graduate of Salem State Teachers College.

(6) Pauline R. Lyons, a graduate of the College of New Rochelle and a teacher of seven years' experience, was secured as teacher of French and Latin in the High School.

(7) Mrs. Juliet Noel Sell, a graduate in 1942 of the State Teachers' College in Bridgewater, was hired to teach grades 3 and 4 at the South Easton School. The vacancy at this school was created by the transfer of Adelaide Johnson to the Junior-Senior High School, where she took over the work formerly handled by Mrs. Loretta Healey.

(8) Mrs. Astrid Larson was engaged in January as half time teacher at the North Easton Grammar School. This vacancy was created by the transfer of Mrs. Loretta Healey to full time teaching at the Junior-Senior High School. Mrs. Healey formerly taught half time at the High School and half time at the North Easton Grammar School, but when Leon A. Regan left for army service she was assigned the classes taught by him.

(9) Mrs. Olive Gurney, before her marriage a teacher in Dighton, was engaged in September for the half time position at the North Easton Grammar School formerly held by Mrs. Astrid Larson. Mrs. Gurney is a graduate of Bridgewater State Teachers College.

(10) The position vacated by Anna Craig at the Junior-Senior High School was filled by transferring

> Ethelyn M. Cowperthwaite from the Furnace Village School. Miss Cowperthwaite is a graduate of Farmington Normal School, has studied at Harvard, and had had nine years of teaching experience. Prior to coming to Easton she was teacher in the Junior High School at Norway, Maine. The vacancy at the Furnace Village School, created by this transfer has not, at this writing, been permanently filled.

The Rules and Regulations of the School Committee in normal times prohibit the employment of married women as teachers, except in substitute positions. This restriction has been removed for the duration of the present emergency, and six married women have already been employed under this change in regulations. Married women who are former teachers constitute one of the most satisfactory sources of new teachers at present, provided the individuals concerned have been out of teaching only a few years.

New Legislation

The last session of the General Court enacted two pieces of legislation of unusual interest to the general public. One of these pertains to minimum legal salaries for teachers and the other has to do with foot examinations as a part of the required annual physical examination of school children.

The law pertaining to salaries sets $1,200 as the minimum annual salary which municipalities having a valuation of $2,500,000 or over may legally pay to teachers. This applies to Easton, since Easton's valuation is about $5,000,00. Our salary schedule calls for a minimum salary of $1,000 and a maximum of $1,500 (including the "cost-of-living" increase) for women teachers in the elementary schools. Consequently, in the future we must pay salaries of $1,200 instead of $1,000 for inexperienced teachers just out of the teachers' colleges. Upward revisions will be necessary for salary levels of experienced teachers whose salaries on our schedule would be in the vicinity of $1,200. Temporary adjustments were made last summer for those whose salaries otherwise would have been $1,200 or less, but the more fundamental revision of our salary schedule awaits future action. The law is a desirable one, for no person who has spent four years in study beyond high school graduation, as have our Massachusetts teachers' college graduates, should be expected to teach for annual salaries of $900 or $1,000 in times like these, but it is just one more factor which makes the schools cost more.

The other new law referred to above makes mandatory a careful examination of the feet of each public school pupil as a part of the annual physical examination. This examination adds considerable new work to the duties of the school nurse and school physician. Since the latter is a part-time employee, he is justified in his request for additional compensation, and provision for it has been made in the 1944 budget of the School Department. This new phase of the annual physical examination is expected to detect defects which if uncorrected would result in serious posture difficulties or other health complications.

Some Needs

As conditions change, and as progress is made, new needs develop. Below are listed some of the needs of the local schools as we see them today, which when provided will help improve their work.

1. The head of the High School commercial department has asked for additions to the machine equipment of that department. Specifically she asks for a dictaphone, a bookkeeping machine, and one or more additional calculators or comptometers. It is apparently necessary to

emphasize more and more the training on these machines in order to give our students the best preparation possible for the future when only those who are well prepared will secure positions. Our 1944 budget provides for the purchase of a reconditioned dictaphone or ediphone, but does not include funds for purchase of the other machines. They should be provided as soon as possible.

2. Attention again is called to the need of equipping the assembly room at the North Easton Grammar School with seating which will remain there permanently. The shifting of assembly hall seats between the high school auditorium and this assembly room is inconvenient, rough on the chairs and somewhat expensive. It discourages efficient use of the latter room. Our 1944 budget does not provide funds for this equipment.

3. Last year's report called attention to the need of gradual replacement of fixed-to-the-floor desks and seats in some of our elementary classrooms with movable furniture. This should be done at the rate of a room or two per year, beginning at the close of the war. The size of the present desk tops in some of these rooms is so small that pupils are actually handicapped in some phases of school work.

4. The walls, woodwork and ceilings of many of our classrooms, corridors and auxiliary rooms are in need of redecorating. Last year's budget carried funds allocated for some of this work, but the figures quoted in the only bid received in response to our advertising were so much higher than we had been accustomed to pay for similar work, that the bid was rejected. In view of the fact that some of them, including all of those built in 1930, have not been refinished for about fourteen years, our classrooms are in surprisingly good condition. However, they should be redecorated just as soon as conditions are more favorable.

5. A better arranged classroom for carrying on art work at the Junior-Senior High School is needed. At present art classes are conducted in an ordinary classroom. Plans for replacing the present furniture with tables and chairs have been made, as well as for equipping the room with a sink and running water. It does not appear that these changes can be made during 1944, however.

Conclusion

In bringing this report to a close, I wish to express appreciation of the thoughtfulness and kindness of Mrs. Louis A. Frothingham in providing the Christmas parties for the children of our elementary schools. The continued sponsorship of the dental clinic by the Easton Lions Club is gratefully acknowledged. The Lions Club has also purchased for the use of the schools, at a cost of about $50, equipment for the Massachusetts eye test, which is expected to screen more thoroughly those pupils who should be referred to an eye man. Miss Harriet Stone has shown her continued interest in the Mary A. Stone Library at the North Easton Grammar School through contributions of money for the purchase of books. Mr. Horace Mitchell has given a large picture of Lincoln, which has been hung in the South Easton School.

The Unionville School pupils raised funds to pay for two new book cases and six library chairs for their school. Furnace Village School raised funds for a set of the World Book Encyclopedia, while the South Easton School earned sufficient money to defray half the cost of a set at that building. The North Easton Grammar School and the South Easton School have purchased library books with funds earned by the pupils and teachers. At the High School, under the resourceful direction of Clement Spillane of the faculty, about $180 was raised for the athletics fund through the public showing of a motion picture. Self-help within the schools, of which these instances are illustrations, has been encouraged.

Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT C. MANN.

January 10, 1944

SCHEDULE OF "NO SCHOOL" SIGNALS

The sirens of both the North Easton and the South Easton fire stations will be used to sound the signal. The "no school" signal on the North Easton station will be two blasts sounded three times in succession (2-2-2). The "no school" signal on the South Easton station will be one long blast sounded either at 7:15 or 7:30 a. m. Signals will have the following meanings:

7:15 A. M.—No school all day at the Junor-Senior High School.

7:30 A. M.—No school all day in the elementary schools.

12:45 P. M.—No school for the afternoon session at the North Easton Grammar School.

"No school" signals will be used only when weather conditions are unusually severe. The scattered population of the town and the extensive transportation system make it necessary to sound the signal, if at all, a considerable time in advance of the opening hour of school sessions. It occasionally happens that weather conditions which appear promising at the hour signals should be sounded become severe by the time many pupils start for school. Parents are requested to use their own judgment in such cases as to whether or not a child should attend a school session. Absences from school under these circumstances will be marked in the school registers with a distinctive mark and will not be counted against the child's perfect attendance record on the report cards.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF OAKES AMES BEQUEST

For the Year Ending December 31, 1943

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand January 1, 1943		$3,488.55
Received for Bonds redeemed during 1943:		
$1,000.00 General Public Service 5/53		1,010.00
$5,000.00 McKesson & Robbins 3½/56		5,387.50
Interest received	$4,394.24	
Less interest received on securites purchased	48.39	
		4,345.85
		$14,231.90

EXPENDITURES

Doris W. Leach	$1,304.01	
Tax withheld	51.80	
		$1,252.21
Ruth G. Grant	250.00	
Tax withheld	3.00	
		247.00
Charles E. MacLeod	1,366.96	
Tax withheld	41.20	
		1,325.76
Collector of Internal Revenue		96.00
Gilbert C. Mann		200.00
Clerk		50.00
Fee for filing report with Probate Court		3.00
Postage and Insurance		2.59

Rent of safe deposit box		18.00	
Supplies bought	388.99		
Less supplies sold	82.77		
		306.22	
Securities purchased as investment:			
$4,000.00 Northern Pacific Ry. 4/97		3,603.25	
$5,000.00 Canada Northern Power 5/53		5,012.50	
		$12,116.53	
Balance on hand December 31, 1943		2,115.37	
			$14,231.90

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FUND

The funds of the various organizations of the Junior-Senior High School are kept in a single activities fund. Receipts and payments pass through the hands of the teachers designated to handle the fund, and all disbursements must be approved by the high school principal and the superintendent of schools.

Below is a statement showing the receipts and payments for the year ending December 31, 1943.

Funds	Dec. 31, '42 Balances	1943 Receipts	1943 Payments	Dec. 31, '43 Balances
Class of 1942	$1.54	$	$1.54	$ .....
Class of 1943	163.06	526.25	664.57	24.74
Class of 1944	105.21	570.39	351.15	324.45
Class of 1945	111.93	140.66	165.16	87.43
Class of 1946	......	79.84	29.32	50.52
Athletic Association	*64.44	523.95	327.00	132.51
Eastoner	79.69	505.98	451.15	134.52
Easton Teachers' Club	96.73	411.21	318.87	189.07
General Fund	64.38	265.86	286.51	43.73
Student Council	37.48	61.44	31.34	67.58
Household Arts	607.96	3,907.60	4,515.56	......
Dramatic Fund	6.81	......	......	6.81
Amplifying System	*65.00	......	......	*65.00
Athletic Equipment	*50.90	75.65	24.75	......
Junior High	85.43	550.75	401.37	234.81
School Music	21.26	352.35	341.76	31.85
	$1,201.14	$7,971.93	$7,910.05	$1,263.02

Check Book Balance	$698.60
Savings Bank	390.42
Junior High Bond	74.00
General Fund War Stamps	100.00
	$1,263.02

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF OLIVER AMES HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Receipts and Payments

1943

Balance on hand, December 31, 1942		$607.96
1943 Receipts		4,276.14
		$4,884.10
1943 Payments		4,122.65
Balance on hand, December 31, 1943		$761.45
Check Book Balance	$740.97	
Savings Bank	20.48	
	$761.45	

EXPENDITURES BY DIVISIONS
January 1, 1943 to December 31, 1943

	General	Senior High	Junior High	Elementary	Total
School Committee, Office, etc.	$193.35				$193.35
Superintendent's Travelling Expense	249.96				249.96
Supervisor of Attendance	100.08				100.08
Clerk	1,138.13				1,138.13
Salaries	3,493.36	$17,356.04	$16,467.55	$30,808.69	68,125.64
Textbooks		239.64	349.34	981.20	1,570.18
Supplies for Instruction		1,124.09	567.16	949.24	2,640.49
Janitors' Wages		1,675.62	1,419.66	4,669.10	7,764.38
Fuel		965.27	965.21	2,884.56	4.815.04
Janitors' Supplies		186.37	186.32	531.25	903.94
Water		43.94	38.90	93.34	176.18
Electricity		322.41	322.39	468.97	1,113.77
Miscellaneous School Plant		24.86	24.86	193.45	243.17
Repairs and Furnishings		774.83	786.15	1,185.24	2,746.22
Outlay		132.51	156.28	137.33	426.12
Library		93.28	39.20		132.48
Health		537.18	530.68	1,593.76	2,661.62
Transportation		1,540.72	2,104.97	2,628.11	6,273.80
Tuition		151.60			151.60
Sundries		32.52	25.55	134.71	192.78
Graduation		92.74			92.74
Insurance		474.85	474.85	633.13	1,582.83
Total Town	$5,174.88	$25,768.47	$24,459.07	$47,892.08	$103,294.50
Oakes Ames Fund	273.59	673.34	1,249.84	1,304.01	3,500.78
Total*	$5,448.47	$26,441.81	$25,708.91	$49,196.09	$106,795.28
Average Membership	1,034.00	202.00	255.00	577.00	1,034.00
Cost per pupil in average membership and not including capital outlay and tuition	*$5.27	*$130.90	*$100.82	*$85.26	*$103.28
Average in State, year ending June 30, 1943	4.74	164.33	117.97	104.26	120.32

*Includes amount paid by Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds.

EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENTS — SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, GRADES X TO XII

January 1, 1943 — December 31, 1943

	General	Commercial	English	Social Studies	Household Arts	Latin	Mathematics	Modern Language	Practical Arts	Science	Physical Education	Art	Music	Total
Salaries	$1,387.54	$4,280.59	$2,826.82	$2,074.32	$277.90	$416.09	$1,360.41	$720.64	$404.60	$2,219.42	$1,070.79	$125.48	$191.44	$17,356.04
Textbooks	11.37	31.83	22.87	9.45	15.29	....	50.81	40.41	....	51.92	2.69	....	3.00	239.64
Supplies	328.12	510.57	1.18	20.50	5.00	....	....	....	32.01	109.67	102.74	....	14.30	1,124.09
Janitors' Wages	1,675.62	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,675.62
Fuel	965.27	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	965.27
Janitors' Supplies	186.37	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	186.37
Water	43.94	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	43.94
Electricity	322.41	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	322.41
Misc. School Plant	24.86	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	24.86
Repairs and Furnishings	712.19	38.21	....	....	6.00	....	....	....	....	4.50	13.93	....	....	774.83
Outlay	132.51	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	132.51
Library	93.28	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	93.28
Health	537.18	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	537.18
Transportation	1,540.72	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,540.72
Tuition	151.60	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	151.60
Sundries	32.52	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	32.52
Graduation	92.74	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	92.74
Insurance	474.85	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	474.85
Total Town	$8,713.09	$4,861.20	$2,850.87	$2,104.27	$304.19	$416.09	$1,411.22	$761.05	$436.61	$2,385.51	$1,190.15	$125.48	$208.74	$25,768.47
Oakes Ames Fund	....	....	....	....	50.00	....	....	....	623.34	....	....	....	....	673.34
Total*	$8,713.09	$4,861.20	$2,850.87	$2,104.27	$354.19	$416.09	$1,411.22	$761.05	$1,059.95	$2,385.51	$1,190.15	$125.48	$208.74	$26,441.81
Average Membership														202.00
Cost per pupil in average membership, not including outlay and tuition, year ending December 31, 1943														*$130.90
Average in state, not including outlay and trade school tuition, year ending June 30, 1943														$164.33

* Includes amounts paid by Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds.

EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENTS — JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, GRADES VII TO IX

January 1, 1943 — December 31, 1943

	General	English	Latin	Social Studies	Mathematics	Household Arts	Science	Art	Music	Physical Education	Practical Arts	Total
Salaries	$1,308.37	$3,403.72	$346.48	$2,917.42	$2,873.93	$1,167.85	$1,548.95	$854.54	$814.06	$920.79	$311.44	$16,467.55
Textbooks	11.26	106.23	19.72	30.82	46.83	....	100.95	....	30.85	2.68	....	349.34
Supplies for Instruction	309.24	1.17	....	68.74	....	26.31	39.74	31.85	16.21	61.60	12.30	567.16
Janitors' Wages	1,419.66	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1,419.66
Fuel	965.21	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	965.21
Janitors' Supplies	186.32	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	186.32
Water	38.90	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	38.90
Electricity	322.39	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	322.39
Misc. School Plant	24.86	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	24.86
Repairs and Furnishings	764.64	....	....	....	....	2.50	4.00	....	1.07	13.94	....	786.15
Outlay	156.28	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	156.28
Library	39.20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	39.20
Health	530.68	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	530.68
Transportation	2,104.97	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,104.97
Sundries	25.55	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.55
Insurance	474.85	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	474.85
Total Town	$8,682.38	$3,511.12	$366.20	$3,016.98	$2,920.76	$1,196.66	$1,693.64	$886.39	$862.19	$999.01	$323.74	$24,459.07
Oakes Ames	....	....	....	....	....	200.00	....	....	....	....	1,049.84	1,249.84
Total*	$8,682.38	$3,511.12	$366.20	$3,016.98	$2,920.76	$1,396.66	$1,693.64	$886.39	$862.19	$999.01	$1,373.58	$25,708.91
Average Membership												255.00
Cost per pupil in average membership, not including outlay, year ending December 31, 1943												*$100.82
Average in State, not including outlay, June 30, 1943												$117.97

* Includes amount paid by Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds.

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES — OCTOBER 1, 1943

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	P. G.	Sp. Cl.	To- tal
Junior-Senior High								93	72	90	79	64	55	1		454
No. Easton Grammar Sch.	36	41	33	50	50	52	47								11	320
South Easton School		6	9	8	17	10	13									63
Eastondale School		12	12	11	12	10	9									66
Furnace Village School		15	8	12	13	8	10									66
Poquanticut School		6	4	14												24
Unionville School		5	9	2	3	5										24
Total	36	85	75	97	95	85	79	93	72	90	79	64	55	1	11	1017

CENSUS REPORT

The annual census of children in town between the ages of 5 and 16 was taken as of October 1, 1943, as required by law.

	Boys	Girls	Total
Under 5 years attending school	9	7	16
Between the ages of 5 and 7	62	53	115
Between the ages of 7 and 16	424	345	769
	495	405	900

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

JUNE 17,1943

1.	March: True Pals	Thornton
2.	Invocation Rev. Harry S. Lowd	
3.	National Anthem Orchestra and Audience	
4.	Address of Welcome by Class President Bradford A. Chase	
5.	Selections by Glee Club	
	International Hymn	Horton
	I Pledge Allegiance to My Flag	Bridges-Rugger
6.	Address: Leadership for Tomorrow Mr. Cameron Beck	
7.	1943 Suite (Original Composition)	Margaret Connelly
	(a) Token—a waltz	
	(b) Closing Door—a reflection	
	(c) The First Flame—a tango	

Senior Ensemble

Violins—Paul Roman
Mary McMenamy
Margaret Connelly
Flute—Norman Benson
Clarinet—Laura Hayward
Saxophone—Sylvia Smith
Trumpet—Roger Nichols
Piano—Thornley Milligan

8. Award of
    - (a) Susan E. French Scholarship—
      Laura Sherman Hayward
    - (b) Young Scholarship—Norman Eldon Benson
    - (c) Browning Clover Club Scholarship—
      Pauline Elizabeth Buck
    - (d) Outlook Club Award—Pauline Elizabeth Buck
    - (e) J. Francis O'Neil Athletic Scholarship—
      Norman Eldon Benson
    - (f) J. Francis O'Neil Athletic Trophy—
      Donald Willis Varney
    - (g) Washington and Franklin History Certificate—
      Shirley Anderson
    - (h) Diplomas
      Mr. Arthur F. Anderson
9. Class Song Words and Music by Margaret Connelly
10. Benediction
    Rev. Gustaf E. Johnson
11. March: Good Scouts Lawrence

LIST OF HONORS

GENERAL HONORS

Graduated with High Honors

Norman Eldon Benson
Marilyn Edith Boulette
Margaret Gertrude Connelly
Laura Sherman Hayward
Thornley Hayward Milligan
Sylvia Bushnell Smith
Joanne Jackson

Graduated with Honors

Pauline Elizabeth Buck
Bradford Arthur Chase
Mary Patricia Connolly
Marjorie Day Eames
Evelyn Lilly Johnson
Doris Elizabeth Lundin
Ruth Evelyn Mager
Donald Nelson Molander
Mary Margaret Texiera

A pupil to be graduated with high honors must have an average of "A" in all subjects; to be graduated with honors he must have an average of "B".

SPECIAL HONORS

High Honors

Norman Benson—English, History, Mathematics, Science
Marilyn Boulette—Bookkeeping, Stenography, Typewriting
Margaret Connelly—English, History, Latin, French
Laura Hayward—English, French, Mathematics, History
Joanne Jackson—English, French
Thornley Milligan—English, History
Paul Roman—Bookkeeping
Sylvia Smith—English, French, History

Honors

Pauline Buck—Bookkeeping
Marjorie Eames—Stenography, Typewriting
Thornley Milligan—French

Mary Texiera—Bookkeeping, Stenography
Joanne Jackson—French
Charles MacLeod—English, History

High honors are given pupils whose yearly marks in particular subjects are all "A's"; honors are given those who have received but one "B", all other yearly marks being "A". Honors will not be given in subjects requiring less than two years in curriculum nor to any pupil pursuing a subject less than the maximum number of years.

CLASS OF 1943

David George Anderson
Robert Sherwood Anderson
Bernice May Baker
Norman Eldon Benson
Marilyn Edith Boulette
Ruth Esther Boynton
Phyllis Virginia Bruce
Pauline Elizabeth Buck
Priscilla Buckingham
Marjorie Mary Caney
Raymond W. L. Carlson
Bradford Arthur Chase
John Henry Christman, Jr.
Margaret Gertrude Connelly
Mary Patricia Connolly
Jean Anne Correia
Evelyn Olive Craig
Edward James Doran
Dorothy Mary Doyle
*Alfred Alan Drew
Marjorie Day Eames
Marjorie Catherine Fozzy
Phyllis Jean Geddes
Laura Sherman Hayward
Louise Marie Hicks
Mary Louise Horton
Constance Mary Howard
Joanne Jackson
Evelyn Lilly Johnson
Walter Millard Johnson
Harold Edward Keyes
George Nicholas Koulalis
*Joseph Kenneth LaFontaine
Doris Elizabeth Lundin
*Francis Lutkin
Charles Alan MacLeod
Ruth Evelyn Mager
Lawrence Hale Mann
John Edward Marvill
Wallace Francis McCann
Mildred Louise McLeod
Mary Louise McMenamy
Mary Patricia Meade
Thornley Hayward Milligan

June Elizabeth Mitchell
Donald Nelson Molander
Roger Harlow Nichols
*Mark Anthony Nolan
Mary Doris Nunes
Norman Leonard Peterson
*Leon Vernon Prior
Margaret Mary Ann Reardon
Shirley Reynolds
Earl A. Rodgers
Paul William Roman
#*Wilson W. Salgado
Joseph Christopher Scanlon
Clifford Allen Sherman, Jr.
Helena Bradford Sherman
Sylvia Bushnell Smith
*Anthony F. Sousa, Jr.
Richard Franklin Studley
Esther Sally Suvanto
Mary Margaret Texiera
*Donald Willis Varney

*In the armed forces of the United States.
#As of the Class of 1938.

ORGANIZATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Arthur F. Anderson, Chairman	15A Mechanic Street, North Easton
Telephone 454	Term expires, March, 1946
Mrs. Alice K. Briggs	Center Street, North Easton
Telephone 318	Term expires, March, 1944
*Wilfred P. Keith	21 Lincoln Street, North Easton
Telephone 270-M	Term expires, March, 1945
Roger A. McNamara	Depot Street, South Easton
Telephone 303-W	Term expires, March, 1945
Horace H. Mitchell	Washington Street, South Easton
Telephone 484	Term expires, March, 1944
**Edgar W. Watts	204 Elm Street, North Easton
	Term expires, March, 1944

*Deceased

**Elected by School Committee and Board of Selectmen to serve until March, 1944. (Chapt. 41, Sec. 11, General Laws)

Superintendent of Schools

Gilbert C. Mann

Residence, 7 Howland Court, North Easton Telephone 537

Office, Oliver Ames High School Building Telephone 17

Clerk

Marilyn E. Boulette

Residence, Turnpike Street, South Easton

Telephone 547-W-3

Office Hours: 8:00 to 11:45 A. M.; 1:15 to 5:00 P. M. on school days. Saturdays, 9:00 A. M. to 12:00 M. Monday evenings, 7:00 to 8:00. Hours during the summer vacation: 9:00 to 11:45 A. M.; 1:15 to 4:30 P. M., Mondays to Fridays inclusive. Monday evenings, 7:00 to 8:00. Educational and employment certificates written at the office only.

School Physician

Dr. Robert B. Porter 5 Day Street, North Easton
Telephone 27

School Nurse

Grace M. Murch, B.S., R.N.
Office, Oliver Ames High School Building Telephone 17
Office Hours: 8:15 to 8:35 A. M. and 1:00 to 1:15 P. M.

Supervisor of Attendance

Alfred H. Dahlborg 209 Main Street, North Easton
Telephone 346

School Calendar

Winter Term—January 3, 1944, to February 18, 1944, inclusive
Spring Term—February 28, 1944, to April 21, 1944, inclusive
Summer Term—May 1, 1944, to June 23, 1944, inclusive
Fall Term—Opens September 6, 1944

School Committee Meetings

High School Building, first Monday evening of each month, at 8:00 o'clock. If the first Monday is a holiday, the meeting is held on the second Monday.

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

OLIVER AMES JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Gilman H Campbell	Principal Geometry	Bowdoin College, A.B. Harvard University, M. Ed.	1927-9	39
Esther L. Anderson	Commercial	Boston University, B.S.	1941-9	6
M. Monica Beaton	Art Art Supervisor in Grades	Vesper George School of Art	1942-9	3
Marietta Canan	Music Music Supervisor in Grades	§Boston University	1937-9	6
Anna C. Craig	English	Boston University, B.S. Harvard University (Summer)	1934-9	9
†Margaret E. Dinneen	Commercial	Salem Normal School Boston University (Summer)	1943-9	17
Evelyn Foster	English	Colby College, B.A. Columbia University, M.A.	1943-4	15
‡Ruth G. Grant	Household Arts	Fram. State Teachers College, B. S.	1935-9	8
Kathryn E. Healey	Mathematics	Boston University, B.S. Harvard University (Summer) Hyannis State Teachers College (Summer)	1936-9	7
Hazel Huston	Science Physical Education	§Michigan State College Posse School	1942-12	3
Adelaide W. Johnson	Mathematics English Geography	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B. S. §Boston University	1936-9	7

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Pauline R. Lyons	Latin French	New Rochelle College, B.A.	1943-3	9
‡Charles E. MacLeod	Practical Arts	Boston City Training Course for Teachers of Mechanic Arts §Boston University Fitchburg State Teachers College (Summer) Mass. Inst. of Technology (Summer)	1931-9	12
John C. Mason	History	§University of Maine Boston University, B.S. Boston University, M. Ed.	1935-10	17
Barbara Nickerson	English	Univ. of New Brunswick, A.B. §Univ. of London (England) University of Maine (Summer) §Harvard University Columbia University (Summer)	1928-9	21
Hazel E. Prescott	Mathematics	Bates College, A.B.	1943-9	20
Beth S. Smith	Commercial	Salem Normal Bryant College Simmons College (Summer) §Boston University	1939-9	13
Peter J. Sperandio	Science	St. Anselm College, A.B. §Harvard University	1942-9	4½
Clement S. Spillane	Science Physical Education	Western State Teachers College, B.S. §Boston University Mass. State College (Summer) Bates College (Summer)	1937-9	9
Gladys T. Thomas	History Geography	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1939-10	5

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
		NORTH EASTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL		
Johanna G. McFadden	Principal Grade 6, P. M.	Bridgewater Normal §Boston University	1922-9	22
†Olive Gurney	Grade 6, A. M.	Bridgewater State Teachers College §Rhode Island State Teachers College §New Bedford Textile School	1943-9	14
Mary V. Harvey	Six	Bridgewater Normal §Boston University	1922-9	21
†Ruth E. Ganyard	Five	Kent State University (Ohio)	1943-10	6
†Grace P. Mills	Four and Five	Oneonta, (N. Y.) Normal	1943-1	14
Raakel I. Hamalainen	Four	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1942-9	1
Hazel M. Williamson	Three	Framingham State Teachers College, B.S.	1941-9	2
Mildred J. O'Connor	Two and Three	Framingham Normal School §Boston University	1929-1	15
Louise E. Canegaly	One and Two	Easton Training Hyannis Normal (Summer)	1904-9	39
Ruby L. Barrows	One	Symond's Kindergarten	1902-4	42
*Doris W. Leach	Kindergarten	§Emerson College Perry Kindergarten Normal Boston University (Summer	1926-9	17
†Virginia T. Stackpole	Special Class	Salem State Teachers College, B.S.	1943-9	2
		SOUTH EASTON SCHOOL		
Anabelle P. Newman	Principal One and Two	Manchester City Training	1920-2	34
†Juliet A. Sell	Three and Four	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1943-10	½
Florence H. O'Leary	Five and Six	Bridgewater State Teachers College	1941-9	7

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
		EASTONDALE SCHOOL		
Florence M. Harris	Principal Five and Six	Farmington Normal (Maine) Hyannis Normal (Summer) §Boston University	1929-9	17½
Lucille L. Marvill	Three and Four	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1941-9	2
Dorothy E. Sherman	One and Two	Bridgewater State Teachers College ,B.S.	1940-3	4½
		FURNACE VILLAGE SCHOOL		
Ethelyn M. Cowperthwaite	Principal Four, Five and Six	§Aroostook State Normal Farmington Normal (Maine) Harvard University (Summer)	1942-9	9
†Anna R. Veilleux	One, Two and Three	Framingham State Teachers College, B.S.	1942-9	2
		UNIONVILLE SCHOOL		
Edith V. Goff	One to Five	Taunton High School Hyannis Normal (Summer)	1922-9	25
		POQUANTICUT SCHOOL		
Viola M. Geddes	One to Three	Castine Normal School (Maine)	1936-9	10

*Paid in full by Oakes Ames Fund (excepting Retirement Fund Contributions).
‡Paid in part by Oakes Ames Fund.
§Attended without graduating.
†Eligible to teach for the duration of the emergency only.

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Alfred H. Dahlborg	Junior-Senior High School	1924-11
Charles E. Malloy	Junior Senior High School	1942-11
Hjalmar E. Johnson	North Easton Grammar School	1933-8
Archibald E. Smith	South Easton School	1941-3
Everett A. Dunn	Furnace Village School	1928-8
Clifton C. Ripley	Eastondale School	1941-5
Carrie M. Smith	Unionville School	1939-9
George M. Buck	Poquanticut School	1924-12

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